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Stores' Unit Record Sales Up 31 Per Cent

Purchases of Singles Up 26 Per Cent; LP's Rocket 44 Per Cent Above 1959

By BOB ROLONTZ and TOM NOONAN

NEW YORK—The past year is expected to go down as a banner one for disk sales. As of December 3, 1960, unit sales of records in retail record shops were running 31 per cent ahead of 1959.

Broken down into categories, as of December 3, single records were up 26.1 per cent in units as against the first 48 weeks of 1959, while LP unit sales were a whopping 44 per cent. Only EP disks had fallen behind, with the extended play 45 off 10 per cent in unit sales in 1960 as against the first 48 weeks of 1959. It was expected that Christmas business would make the LP and singles unit sales go even higher by the time all the returns were in.

LP records accounted for 73 per cent of dealer dollar sales in 1960, and 37 per cent of dealer unit sales were up 72.7 per cent in retail stores in 1960 as against 1959, while one unit sales topped 1959 by 37.3 per cent.

Big Four Weeks

The period, from November 7 through December 3, was one of the best four weeks for dealers since the start of 1960, in both LP's and singles. A total of 6.7 million singles moved across dealer's counters in these four weeks, while a total of 4.5 million LP's were purchased in retail stores. Of these 4.5 million LP units, one million were stereo disks.

Usually the four-week period in November is a slow time for dealers. But in November 1960, unlike November 1959 or 1958, sales boomed. Singles in November of this year were up 91.1 per cent over November 1959, and LP's were up 66.7 per cent as against 1959.

These statistics are derived from the current report analyzing national trends of record sales in retail record stores, as prepared by The Billboard every four weeks under the supervision of the New York University School of Retailing. The complete confidential reports, issued to regular subscribers of this service, also provide competitive figures by label, broken down by speed, price, and mono vs. stereo sales. The reports are compiled from diaries of actual cash-register sales, and are statistically selected, rotating sample of record dealers across the nation.

Total Sales View

The percentage used in these reports are based on gross unit sales of all records in retail stores across the country. They give a total picture of record sales, not an individual one per dealer. It is obvious that with price-cutting, discounting, etc., an individual dealer's unit sales can be up and yet total income for that dealer in 1960 as against 1959 can be less. At the same time, it is possible for a store to sell less units—at a higher price (stereo records for instance)—and come up with a higher income and a better profit picture than before.

National unit sales figures also do not reflect regional variations in the sales pattern. Areas of high unemployment or layoffs usually reflect weaker sales than areas

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Presley Cops Sales Honors

NEW YORK — Single record sales came back strongly in 1960. Biggest million-seller of all for the fifth year in a row was Elvis Presley, who had three records of over a million: "Stuck on You," "It's Now or Never" and "Are You Lonesome Tonight."

Some of the other million-sellers during 1960 include: "Theme From a Summer Place" with Percy Faith; "He'll Have to Go" with Jim Reeves; "Twist" with Chubby Checker; "Finger Poppin' Time" with Hank Ballard and the Midnighters; "Itsy Bitsy ... Bikini" with Brian Hyland; "I'm Sorry" with Brenda Lee; "Cathy's Clown" with the Everly Brothers; "Running Bear" with Johnny Preston; "Fern Angel" with Mark Dinning; "El Paso" with Marty Robbins; "Only the Lonely" with Roy Orbison; "Handy Man" with Jimmy Jones, and "Everybody's Somebody's Fool" with Connie Francis.

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EUNUCHS FAIL AS FIXERS FOR HAREM PHONOS

GENEVA — Emissaries of Qatar's oil-rich Emir Ali ben Abdullah are recruiting a crew of technicians to service juke boxes recently purchased by the emir for his harem.

Sources here disclosed that the emir has been unable to train his palace staff in juke box servicing and repair, as had been planned.

The emir originally had intended to school half a dozen eunuchs from his staff. Several eunuchs, it was disclosed, were sent to Western Europe, accompanied by an interpreter, to take juke box maintenance instruction.

This project bogged down in linguistic difficulties, despite the interpreter, and because of the general lack of mechanical aptitude on the part of the eunuchs.

The emir then closed out this project, and, after several boxes stopped playing and the girls staged a series of noisy protest scenes, Abdullah dispatched emissaries to recruit technicians.

The sources here said the harassed harem proprietor then decided to enlist professional assistance. Four coin machine service experts will b:: signed to two-year contracts. It is understood that they will be permitted to take their wives to Qatar, will have quarters furnished them, and will receive other prerequisites.

Radio Calls Comics To Break Up Solid Music-News Format

Disk Distribs Note Album Sale Hike As Stations Use More Comedy Fare

By JUNE BUNDY

NEW YORK — In an effort to bring more individuality and variety to the traditional music and news format, radio stations across the country are beginning to integrate segments of best-selling comedy albums into their musical programming.

Comedy LP's have been top items on the best-selling album charts for some time, but heretofore their local radio exposure has been limited with the bulk of their broadcasting exposure garnered from guest shots (by the comics) on network TV shows, plus nitery dates and word-of-mouth.

Now that deejays are starting to program comedy LP's on an extensive basis, the comedy albums should become even bigger sellers than they are today.

For example, station WNTA, Newark, N. J., introduces a "Comedy Corner" LP segment each hour from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, and promotion manager Sal Sirulnick reports that local distributors report that sales have risen proportionately in the area on comedy LP's exposed by WNTA. Two standout examples, said Sirulnick, are Betty Walker's Coral album and Carl Reiner and Mel Brooks "2,000 Years" on World Pacific.

The outlet, which covers the New York City listening area as well as New Jersey, last week launched a special ad campaign to key New York newspapers to publicize its new "Comedy Corner" programming. Photos of eleven LP comedians — Shelly Berman, Jean Carroll, Buddy Hackett, Alan King, Sam Levenson, Bob Newhart, Mike Nichols and Elaine May, Louis Nye, Peter Ustinov and Jonathan Winters—were featured in the ads.

Sirulnick said the comedy LP segments aren't limited to any specific time. "We just let them run long enough to make up a complete sequence," he explained. "Mort Sahl, for example, takes 10 minutes or more to round out one story."

In addition to playing the comedy album sets, WNTA also spotlights live appearances by LP comics in interview sessions with WNTA jocks. Betty Walker and Jonathan Winters are among those who have made guest appearances, and Nichols and May are scheduled to visit the station shortly. The station screens all comedy LP material, of course, and selects what is "clean and funny." Lenny Bruce is about the only big comic whose material can't be aired, according to Sirulnick.

In line with this, deejay Rod Roddy, KQV, Pittsburgh, has worked out a way to use Lenny Bruce on the air, even though he agrees that the comic's recorded material (of the sick-nik school) is somewhat dubious broadcasting fodder. During a recent Bruce engagement at a Pittsburgh night club, The Fallen Angel, Roddy recorded a series of ad-lib interviews with the comic. The results were so funny that Roddy edited the interviews into a series of separate "bits" which were featured by the jockey throughout November and December. The material, said Roddy, is similiar to that used by Bruce on recordings, but avoids offensive references to such things as physical afflictions.

Roddy has also recorded a two-

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Comic Albums Still Strong

NEW YORK—Comedy albums continue to show up strongly on the best-selling album charts. This week's Monophonic Action chart lists six comedy LP's—two by Bob Newhart (No. 2, and 3), "Knockers Up" by Rusty Warren (No. 19), "Edge of Sheldy Berman," (No. 22), and two by Brother Dave Gardner (No. 30 and 34.)

"The Button Button Mind of Bob Newhart" has been on the chart for 34 weeks; while Gardner's "Rejoice Dear Hearts" LP has made the list for 28 weeks. On the Essential Inventory Monophonic Action chart, "Inside Shelley Berman" is No. 2 after 89 weeks on the chart. "Woody Woodbury Looks at Life" is No. 12 after 43 weeks of listings.

NEWS OF THE WEEK

A Look at the New Disk Year . . .
A look at the new disk year, 1961, indicates that manufacturers will face tougher competition; distribution ranks will grow, and the retailers lot may improve over 1960. . . . Page 3

S. D. Juke Box Operator Blasts Record Industry on Stereo Singles . . .
Gordon Stout, veteran coin machine operator and a director of the Music Operators of America, charged that "either in the production or in the distribution end of the record business, nr both, we operators have been let down." He questioned whether the new 33-speed single would solve any problems. . . . Page 3

Liberty, Roulette, Epic, Warners Offer Special January LP Deals . . .
Dealers and distributors last week were offered a flock of special deals on new and catalog LP products for January. The LP merchandising plans are backed by extensive display material and advertising campaigns. Labels included Roulette, Liberty, Epic and Warner Brothers. . . . Pages 2, 3, 4

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How 1961 Disk Year Looks—From Trade's Varied Angles

Mfr. Competition Up; Majors Strong In Singles; Distrib Group Expands

By BOB ROLONTZ

NEW YORK—As the new year starts, many segments of the record industry, manufacturers, distributors and dealers, are wondering what 1961 will bring. The questions about the record industry concern such things as the future of single records, price-cutting, record clubs, trends in music, trends in records and all of the myriad problems that have been the lot of the record business over the past few years.

From the manufacturer point of view, according to astute trade observers, competition will heighten in 1961, continuing a trend that has been evident for the past five years. This intensified competition is expected to make it rougher on the smaller firm, and will call for new and novel ideas from the larger record firms in the way of material, packaging, promotion and advertising campaigns. More and more manufacturers are expected to turn to consumer advertising to aid sales not only of albums, but also of singles, and especially the new compact 33 single. Album packages will grow more elaborate, as exemplified by the RCA Victor packaging of its new Stereo Action line.

In addition to consolidating their hold even more firmly in the album field last year, the larger firms, RCA Victor especially, made a strong showing in the single record field. Although the indies can always be expected to come up with hits, the old days—when the indies had the majors almost out of the singles field—are not expected to return in 1961. If anything, according to the reports indicating the money that many of the larger firms are now willing to put up for strong single artists on smaller labels, the large firms may not even better in singles in 1961 than they did in 1960.

Manufacturers can also be expected to seek, work on and come through with more and more new ways to market records. Columbia right now is testing a door-to-door sales campaign, and it is known other manufacturers are looking for new markets for records. The idea of these new merchandising methods will be to bring non-record buyers into the record field and hope that they will become regular record customers. With the feeling on the part of some tradesters that record clubs have almost reached their saturation peak, it can be anticipated

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Diners' Tests FM Radio Pull on Disk Club Pitch

HOLLYWOOD — Diners' Record Club is testing the powers of FM radio as a means of recruiting members here with the understanding that should the test prove favorable, the club will harness the media on its behalf in all the major markets throughout the nation. Diners' is buying spot announcements on Station KRHM (FM) offering any album the listener hears played on the station at $1 for either stereo or monaural as a means of introducing him to "the benefits of the club."

When the requested album is shipped to the FM-listening prospect, it is accompanied by a pitch aimed at selling them on joining the club. According to inside sources at Diners', the test is paying off with a heavy deluge of inquiries. Club Chief Bernard Solomon is expected to be studying the results carefully to see what part FM will play in the organization's ad future.

Key to the test, however, is not the number of inquiries the club receives, for these are spurred by the lure of getting LP's which sell from $3.98 to $5.98 for a mere buck. Diners' decision to move into FM will depend upon how many of these inquiries can be converted into members. The test is still too new for Diners' to have crystallized a conversion rate. In all its other activities the club has avoided calling for inquiries. Ad have been so framed that any one who sends in a coupon automatically applies for membership.

Record clubs have been one of the heavy advertisers in the printed media. If FM can deliver club membership at a cost-per-thousand rate on a par with publications, it may well come in for a share of the multi-million dollar annual record club ad budget.

Distribs Hire Agency to Do Monthly Plugs

PHILADELPHIA — Bob Heller and Gene Canter, operators of Flying Record Distributing Company here, have hired Rothstein Advertising Agency to come up with a new promotion-exploitation scheme every month of the new year. The entire plan is designed "New Frontiers in Record Distribution."

For January, the plan centers on the idea of building a new artist, particularly a female artist, since according to Canter and Heller, "from a recent survey we found that the industry needs more female singers."

Under the plan, the artist will be invited to Philadelphia where pictures will be taken with all local deejays. These will be made into a booklet for giveaway at trade shows. The artist will appear on up-State TV shows in Scranton, Allentown and Reading in addition to the Quaker City and will air a gig out on a number of record shops in the area.

A. Kaminstein U. S. Register Of Copyrights

WASHINGTON — Abraham Kaminstein has been appointed Register of Copyrights, according to an announcement by Librarian of Congress L. Quincy Mumford, Christmas Eve. Kaminstein has served as acting register of copyrights since the death of Arthur Fisher early in November.

Kaminstein has been connected with the copyright office for 13 years. He is the author of "Divisibility of Copyrights," one of the studies made in preparation for the proposed revision of the present Copyright Law.

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NEW MERC LP HAS BIG SOUND

NEW YORK — Mercury Records' first album in its new Living Presence Sound Series is Beethoven's "Wellington's Victory" by Antal Dorati and the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra. A successor to the Liszt's long-time best seller "1812 Overture," the new LP features 188 cannon shots, plus extensive firing by muskets.

The "1812 Overture" album, also cut by the Minneapolis Symphony and Dorati, has been on The Billboard's best - selling classical album charts since it was first released in 1956, and is noted for its authentic cannon-firing sounds.

The new package, produced under the supervision of Mercury's classical chief Wilma Cozart, spotlights even more gunplay—utilizing three different cannons and a flock of flint-lock muskets — all early 19th century museum pieces. The firing sounds were recorded at West Point (as was the "1812" LP) with special old firearms experts doing the firing. The shots are synchronized with the music exactly as indicated on the score by Beethoven.

Lanin Album Kicks Off Epic Jan. Program

NEW YORK — Epic Records has come up with a sales program for January. Kicking off the program instituted by Sales Chief Al Fishman is a new Lester Lanin album, his 12th, called "Lester Lanin Plays Latin." This record will retail for $2.98 for the month of January, for both the stereo and monaural versions. Dealers will receive their full markup on the Lanin disk, which celebrates the band leader's fifth anniversary at Epic.

In addition to the Lanin special, Epic is offering distributors a special discount on all other albums, both popular and classical. All monaural albums, with the ex-

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LOST IN CATTLE DRIVE?

Latest Nielsen Rating Says Music's TV Appeal Slipping

NEW YORK — Music appeared both little charm for TV audiences these days. The latest Nielsen rating (for two weeks ended December 4), lists 20 top video shows and only one of them—Ed Sullivan's CBS-TV program (tied for the number-one slot for 15th place)—features musical talent.

Westerns dominate, with "Wagon Train," "Gunsmoke" and "Have Gun" taking the first three places in the order named. The rest of the top-rated programs, shows, audience - participation programs, a dramatic series, several situation comedies and Jackie Gleason, Red Skelton, and still more Westerns. Perry Como, whose old Saturday night television variety, always made the Top-20, isn't on the current list.

Meanwhile, though, the net works continue to emphasize music on their specials, and NBC-TV will kick off a regular music series, Mitch Miller's "Sing Along With Mitch," January 27 from 9 to 10 p.m. Sponsored by P. Ballentine & Sons, brewers, the show — in color — will alternate with the "Bell Telephone Hour." In addition to Miller's Sing Along Gang (25 male voices) the program will feature guest canaries Diana Trask, Leslie Uggams, and Gloria Lambert. More than 30 songs will be sung during the hour telecast.

In the TV-special field, CBS-TV will air "The Gershwin Years" January 15 from 8 to 9:30 p.m. Emseed by Richard Rodgers, the show will spotlight Ethel Merman, Maurice Chevalier, Florence Henderson, Julie London and Ann Hampton, the new young discovery from Broadway's "Tenderloin" musical.

On the show, Rodgers will point out the difficulties faced by songwriters in any era. For example, Gershwin composed "Swanee" and "Man I Love" in ragtime tempo, and it was cut from his successive shows before it finally became a hit in the bistros of Paris. Later, it became popular in the U. S.

FCC Hails Its Payola Action

WASHINGTON — The outlawing of payola and rigged quiz shows was hailed by Federal Communications Commission Chairman Frederick W. Ford as an example of co-operative relationship between FCC and Congress January 1.

In a year-end statement, Chairman Ford said the co-operative relationship produced, almost in record time, changes in the basic communications law to require employees and others to disclose to station owners that payment has been made or received for the broadcasting of "program matter."

Ford said the new amendments to the law approach the problem in a way the Commission could not — a criminal statute which reaches not only broadcast licensees but any person who knowingly participates in the outlawed practice.

Other amendments make it clear that the FCC has the power to issue broadcast licenses for less than a three-year period where an early review of a licensee's past performance may be required in the public interest, and empower the Commission to levy fines up to $10,000 for willful or repeated infractions of its rules.

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WALLICHS CHARTS CAP LABEL'S 1961 POLICIES

HOLLYWOOD—Capitol Records will adhere to a "quality up, quantity down" policy during the forthcoming year, according to the course charted by its president, Glenn E. Wallichs. CRI's chief executive set the new year's goals in light of his firm's past year gains as follows:

Artists and Repertoire

"For 1961, our basic aim will be to give dealers increased sales through a decreased number of releases. Under the leadership of Alan Livingston, our new vice-president of creative services, our a.&r. producers will exercise the highest degree of selectivity with regard to both the artists and the material they record. We shall view each album we produce in 1961 with the idea that a definite need must exist for that album in the market place. In recent years we've all been guilty of putting out albums on more or less an experimental basis, as though they were singles. As a result, today no dealer can possibly stock all the albums put out by our industry and many worthy albums do not achieve the exposure they deserve.

"In 1960, Capitol was able to maintain its position of prominence on the charts and to give the industry albums like Nat Cole's 'Wild Is Love,' which achieved chart status in a remarkably short period of time. In addition, we were pleased to offer original-cast recordings of two of the season's outstanding Broadway shows, 'Tenderloin' and 'The Unsinkable Molly Brown,' as well as the motion-picture sound tracks of 'Can-Can' and 'Belle Are Ringing' and we enjoyed success with albums like 'Ports of Paradise,' 'Latin a la Lee,' various Kingston Trio albums, 'This Is the Hollywood Bowl,' and Ernie Ford's specially packaged religious albums, 'Sing a Spiritual,' 'With Hi Lo' and 'Sing a Hymn With Me.' In 1961, we shall endeavor to produce more albums of this kind—again, as part of our philosophy of quality up, quantity down."

Single Records

"The year 1960 proved an important year for Capitol in single records. As a result of a revitalized singles operation headed by our vice-president for Eastern operations, Joseph Csida, our single efforts are now beginning to show excellent results with more disks on the charts and more sales through dealers. Capitol has every intention of continuing to revitalize and modernize the entire singles function in all areas—a.&r., merchandising, promotion, distribution.

"Along these lines, we are most enthusiastic about the future potential of '33' singles and doubles. The development of the industry drive to bend the record business toward a one-speed foundation through the '33' single and double may well give our industry the fresh excitement it needs. We support the drive for a one-speed industry wholeheartedly because we feel that such a move is without question in the industry's best interests. We expect the '33' to be welcomed by singles many album buyers who have, over a period of years, lost interest or found no interest in the material offered on the majority of '45' singles; and at the same time we expect '33' singles and doubles to play an important role in creating album interest among younger buyers. Right now, a number of '33' singles and doubles are being readied by Capitol for release in the new year. We think that several items on our first release will stir up a great deal of excitement among dealers and win broad consumer acceptance. As has been the case with '45' singles, our '33' singles and doubles efforts will lay great stress on the development of talent and repertoire; but at the same time, we shall continue to do our best with our established favorites."

Stereo

Wallichs found Capitol's stereo sales during the past year showed a 38 per cent increase over the previous year. He predicts that the forthcoming year will show further increases in stereo's share of the record market.

International

The record business during the past several years has become increasingly global, Wallichs said. "Capitol's aims," he said, "will be to work toward a greater integration of our domestic and foreign activities for the dual purpose of giving our domestic artists greater international exposure with increased sales abroad, and of exposing in this country the talents of new artists from abroad. Through our EMI relationship, we are in a unique position to strengthen the international aspect of our business—an aspect which we believe will become increasingly important to our entire industry in the Sixties.

Illegal Practices

"Our industry continues to face a number of major problems. Most serious of these at this time is, I believe, the counterfeiting of best-selling albums and singles. The recent uncovering of a New York City record-bootlegging operation on an extremely large scale and operating with business-like organization and efficiency points, I think, to an awesome threat faced by out industry. I firmly believe the steps must be taken without delay to obtain specific legislation at the Federal, Nation and State levels designed to combat counterfeiting, bootlegging, pirating, and other such unethical practices.

Dealer Relationships

"Capitol has always considered itself a 'dealer-oriented' company; and we foresee no change in that philosophy during 1961. In recent years the industry's great glut of merchandise has overloaded the dealer to the point where it has been impossible for him to become familiar—really familiar—with any one album or even any one artist. As a result, the personal touch has gone out of record selling. In a similar way, the consumer has been badly confused by the great glut of product to the point where it has been difficult for him to build up much personal enthusiasm for one particular artist, one particular kind of music, or one label.

"Ingenuity is still the key to success in this business—ingenuity in packaging, in albums, in merchandising and promotion. Capitol and every other record manufacturer must constantly be on the lookout for devices by which to snag consumer interest. If we can put enough ingenuity and creativity into our product, we can provide the simulation our entire industry needs and we can make recordings an even more important part of every American family's home entertainment program."

WB Sets 5-1 Disk Exchange

HOLLYWOOD — Highlight of Warner Bros. January dealer program is a plan whereby it will accept obsolete merchandise on any label in exchange for its own product on a five-for-one basis. Plan covers $5 worth of WB disks a dealer orders during the month of January. He'll be allowed to return $1 worth of old platters regardless of label. WB Prexy Jim Conkling told The Billboard the plan is aimed at helping the dealer clean his shelves of stale merchandise.

Exchange price list for disks is figured at dealer's cost. WB will allow the $1 credit per $5 purchase on any and all types of disks returned, including mono and stereo LP's, singles, and, as Conkling put it, "even cylinders." Five-one-one plan applies to all WB product, catalog and new releases, with the exception of the new Bob Newhart albums, Dealers will be required to buy $10 worth of Newhart's "Button-Down Mind" disks for every $1 worth in obsolete merchandise taken in exchange.

Warners is releasing seven new albums featuring Bing Crosby (a double LP sing-along), Bob Eberle and Helen O'Connell recreating their old Jimmy Dorsey hits, George Greeley, plus albums of old Neapolitan songs, tunes from the "Gold Diggers" movies, hits by yesteryear's singers, and an LP of five-manual organ music.

KFWB Asks Advance Disks Offer Special Show

HOLLYWOOD — Crowell-Collier's Station KFWB here has asked various labels for a three-day advance on specific releases to be used as part of the outlet's third anniversary celebration. The event will be marked by a three-day special programming format to be aired during 1960's final weekend.

According to the station's chief, Chuck Blore, KFWB will spin in chronological order the disks that made its 'Fabulous Forty' plus list during the three years the station had been on the air. To spice the listening with new product, it will insert at quarter-hour intervals a disk which in the station's opinion will be a hit during the forthcoming year. This single will be termed "one to grow on," and will be among those made available to the station three days in advance of general release to other outlets.

According to Blore, the same pattern will be followed at the other Crowell-Collier station in San Francisco (DEWB) and Minneapolis (KDWB). Thus, the label will be assured of getting the C-C network's three stations behind the stations the three-day exclusive.

At press time, Blore did not have all labels lined up. He said that among the disks that will receive the station's "one to grow on" treatment, will be new ones by Paul Anka, Ray Charles, Fats Domino, and others. Some labels, it was learned, balked at granting the advance to one station for fear they would arouse the ire of others.

According to Blore, KFWB here will be entering its fourth year under C-C ownership as the lone 1 station in this market. Blore said he based his claim on the Hooper and Pulse rating services.

Cap Issues 34 LP's for Jan.

HOLLYWOOD — Capitol starts the new year with a 34-album release comprised of 20 pop packages, six Capitol classics, and eight issued under the Angel banner.

The pop fare is paced by a new Frank Sinatra LP and includes albums by Les Baxter, Martha Carson, Four Freshmen, Jonah Jones, Gordon MacRae, Freddy Martin, Phil Napoleon, Jane Morgan, Frank Pourcel (French import), Ann Richards with Stan Kenton, Dick Sinclair, Dakota Staton, and Fats Waller at the organ (recorded in London), debut disks by Los Churumbe De Espana and Hooke Masaya. Also of note is a "Great Smash Hits" album from Ireland and two sellers by Nat Cole, Peo We' Hunt, Kingston Trio, Dean Martin, Les Paul and Mary Ford, Tommy Sands, Frank Sinatra, Jo Stafford and Red Ingle, Margaret Whiting and Jimmy Wakely, and T-Bones Wilkins.

Capitol's six-album classical of-

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Liberty Launches 1961 With LP's, Sales Deals

HOLLYWOOD — Liberty Records kicks off the new year with an eight-album release spotlighting some of its top selling artists, and buttressed by a program of special dealer benefits and a saturation promotion campaign. The program will be in effect January 9 through February 13.

The product features albums by Martin Denny, Julie London, Johnny Burnette, Bobby Vee, a Jack Wilk-Tommy Dunaway duo, the Ventures (to be issued on Liberty's subsidiary label, Dolton) plus Volume II in Liberty's "Original Hits" series, and a tongue-in-cheek flash-back to silent screen music. Denny's "Exotic Percussion" package which highlights the release is particularly noteworthy since the artist who helped pioneer the tonal music trend takes his first step into the current percussion parade.

Julie London's "Send For Me" album title ties in with a "Butterfield 8"-type cover art. As a further tie-in, the jacket has cover a belly-band with a coupon offering an illustrated 16-page life story of the songstress to the sender. What is intended to be another eye-stopper is "Rides, Rapes and Rockets" with a thick title of music from the silent screen. An explanatory sticker is affixed to the album. Likewise, the cover tells the fact that singles by Johnny Burnette, Bobby Vee and the Ventures currently riding high on the Hot 100 chart will provide the necessary fire power to place their LP's into hit orbit.

Dealer benefits include a 10 per cent discount on all orders placed during the 10 weeks promotion is in effect (including catalog items as well as the new release), deferred billing privileges plus a 100 per cent exchange. To be eligible for these benefits, dealers must order a minimum of seven of the eight new releases, either in stereo, monaural or any combination thereof. Deferred billing is a 90-day plan, with equal payments to be made by the 10th of March, April and May.

Promotion will place heavy emphasis on local and regional radio and TV promotion with an unusually heavy accent on FM stations. In addition to blanketing stations with its product—for example, the label has allocated 3,600 Bobby Vee LP's for station distribution—its promotion department will arrange artists' guestings and interviews on the various broadcast

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Roulette Toasts Birthday With Album Bonus Deal

NEW YORK — Roulette Records will celebrate its fifth anniversary this month with a special half-price bonus sales program for distributors and dealers, which allows any Roulette album in the catalog at half price when the buyer purchases one at full price.

Effective throughout January, the half-price sale includes the catalogs of Roulette, Tico and Roost, plus all new January album releases on those labels. At the same time, Roulette is allowing a 10 per cent discount on all purchases of its low-priced Forum line. Applying only to Forum, the discount will run simultaneously with the half-price bonus sale.

An extensive merchandising and advertising campaign will back the new sales program, including a series of consumer ads in the rotogravure section of 30 top-circulation newspapers across the country. Included in a full window display kit is a large wire-form display which rotates 48 album covers.

Roulette's Executive Vice-President Joe Kolsky, Eastern Sales Manager Sally Solomon, Midwestern Sales Manager Marv Heller and Western Sales Manager Abe Glasser are on the road this week visiting some 30 distributors to plug the new sales program.

New Roulette albums for January include packages by the Platters, Joe Jones (his first LP), Tyree Glenn, William Kealoha, Kenny Bass and Wanda Stafford. The new Birdland Jazz series LP's spotlight packages by Count Basie, Sarah Vaughan, Billy Eckstine, Joe Williams and saxophonist John Handy. Johnny Smith has a new Roost LP, and Tico has a new Machito album.

Edith Piaf Stages Paris Comeback

PARIS — Edith Piaf, after a year's absence from the music halls, is staging a comeback with a tour which started at Reims, December 17, where she sang 14 songs—some of which were memorizing 45 minutes on the stage, before an audience of 1,500 of her fans. Her voice gained sonority and warmth after her first number and she had no difficulty in holding her audience.

After appearances in Nancy, Thionville and Chaumont she returned to Paris to work a gala at Versailles and to open at the Olympia Music Hall December 30.

1960's Unit Sales of Records In Stores Run 31% Over '59

Singles Jump Ahead 26%; LP's Up 44%

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section. National figures concerning unit sales usually have to be analyzed according to an individual store's location, as well as local competition.

In this era of price cutting, it is entirely probable that while unit sales are rising, net income may be lower for many dealers today than when records were sold at full list price. When unit sales are figured at list price the industry is at a higher dollar volume than ever before. But figured at general discount prices the dollar volume for dealers is roughly 20 to 30 per cent lower than it is usually reported. Perhaps because of, or in spite of discounting, unit sales of records, both singles and LP's, are rising, and this increase made 1960 the best year ever in unit sales of records in retail stores.

Columbia Bows 31 Jan. Albums

NEW YORK — There are 13 popular, 13 classical, three jazz and five [illegible] albums in Columbia Records' 31-LP package for January.

Leading the pop album output are: the original cast album of "Camelot" with Julie Andrews and Richard Burton; Jerry Vivino's Harmonicats; the late Johnny Horton's "Greatest Hits"; the Brothers Four; and Ray Conniff Ork and Chorus.

Other pop album releases include blues singer Oscar Brown Jr., the Banjo Barons, Marty Manning's ork, Mahalia Jackson, Vic Damone and Guy Mitchell.

Works by Mozart (conducted by George Szell), Walton and Lalo (conducted by Eugene Ormandy and the late Dimitri Mitropoulos), and Beethoven's Middle Quartets played by the Budapest String Quartet top the classical releases. The Beethoven Quartets are available, in either mono or stereo, in both set and single album form.

Works by Riegger, Lester Trimble, Theodore Chanler, Martin Prokofiev, Tchaikovsky and Vivaldi among others are also being made

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Maurer Does Album Covers

NEW YORK—Persuasive Packaging Corporation, a new outfit designed to render a complete one-stop album-cover production service to dishers, has been set up here by Sid Maurer, well-known art and production man in the field.

Maurer, who has operated his own art studio turning out covers for a number of major labels for years, said he'll furnish photography, art, printing and liner manufacture all out of his one shop, thereby saving indie dishers'es many of the normal, time-wasting headaches of getting covers out. Maurer, who will also offer sales promotion and point of sale merchandising counsel, will soon open Chicago and Hollywood offices and has already blueprinted plans for outlets in France, the Netherlands and Italy.

D. BERNIAUX, COMPOSER, DEAD

PARIS — Desiree Berniaux, 91, composer of popular songs, died in Vence, Southern France, in mid-December.

He was born in Belgium but resided in Paris for a long period and wrote many of the songs that Mistinguett, Maurice Chevalier and Marie Dubas made into hits—one of which was, "The Hands of Women," launched by Dubas, a very popular music-hall singer, in his day.

'Do Re Mi' in RCA Waxing

NEW YORK—The new Broadway musical "Do Re Mi," which opened to strong reviews from the press here, will be recorded Sunday (January 8) by RCA Victor.

The show, produced by David Merrick, features the music of Jule Stein with lyrics by Betty Comden and Adolph Green. The book is by Garson Kanin. Phil Silvers and Nancy Walker star. The story line should be of special interest to tradesters since it deals with the recording and juke box industries.

34 Labels Do 75% of Store Sales Dollars

NEW YORK—A total of 34 labels was the mainstay of the dealer record business in 1960. These 34 firms did about three-quarters of the dollar sales of records in stores across the country in 1960. All of the other record labels combined did the other 25 per cent of the dollar volume in stores.

The top 34 labels enjoyed sales of 5 per cent or better of total dollar sales in stores during the year. This is an increase over the number of labels that had 5 per cent or more of total dollar sales in stores in 1959, when only 32 labels held this top position. Of these 32 firms, 29 maintained their position in 1960, while five additional firms jumped into this select group to add up to the 34 leaders for 1960.

Of the 29 firms that remained on top—for both 1959 and 1960, 23 increased their dollar sales, while six registered decreases. The increase in dollar volume racked up by the 23 ranged from a low of little less than 1 per cent, to a high of 152.4 per cent.

Canadian Board Hears Copyr't Fees Proposals

By HARRY ALLEN JR.

TORONTO — Hearings began in Ottawa last week before the Copyright Appeal Board on music performance fees.

The submission by Broadcast Music Canada, Ltd., was approved within 15 minutes of the opening of the hearings. There were no changes from its schedule of last year.

The submission of the Composers, Authors and Publishers Association of Canada, however, brought forth much discussion before the chairman, Mr. Justice Thorson.

CAPAC offered a number of changes. It first sought changes in the transmission of music to the commercial, industrial and professional establishments.

These include cabarets and restaurants and the like, hotels and motels, stores, factories, commercial offices, professional doctors' offices, office buildings, railway stations, airports, bus and subway stations and other premises.

Counsel for the Musical Protective Society, which includes many of the music users, said the fee revision is uncurrented and would result in tremendous increases.

Opposition was also forthcoming from officials of the post office and transport departments, covering the fees on music piped into the postoffice, airports and railway stations.

CAPAC also seeks a tariff covering steamships and airplanes. For steamships, it seeks a fee up to

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Tenn. Certifies New Nashville Record Firms

NASHVILLE — The Secretary of State has issued certificates of incorporation to the following new Nashville firms:

Action Records, Inc., 310 Seventh Avenue, N., making, purchasing, selling, distributing and leasing master recordings; employing, managing and booking talent; initial capital, $1,000; incorporators: Jack S Stapp, William D. Killen and Joyce L. Bush.

Nashville Productions, Inc., 146 Seventh Avenue, N., production, distribution, exhibition, release, leasing, publicizing and other exploitation and disposition of motion picture films, including television, sound and talking films; initial capital, $1,000; incorporators: James R Denny, C. Milton Smith and Jack D. Kilen and Jodee Rhodes.

Cross Keys Publishing Company, 319 Seventh Avenue, N., publishing, writing, buying and selling music and musical tunes; making, purchasing and selling recordings of all types, managing and employing and booking talent; initial capital, $1,000; incorporators: Jack S Stapp, William D. Kilen and Joyce L. Bush.

HOT 100 ADDS 17

NEW YORK—The Hot 100 chart added 17 new sides this week. They are:

72. C'est Si Bon (Leeds, ASCAP) — Conway Twitty, M-G-M.
81. Ballerina Cow Bow (Hilliard, BMI) — Ricky Nelson, Imperial.
83. Emotions (Cedarwood, BMI) — Brenda Lee, Decca.
84. What Would I Do (Aladdin-Ben Ghazi, BMI) — Mickey & Sylvia, RCA Victor.
85. Yes, I'm Lonesome Tonight (Bourne, ASCAP)—Thelma Carpenter, Coral.
86. Spanish Harlem (Progressive-Trio, BMI) — Ben E. King, Atco.
88. There's a Moon Out Tonight (Robb-Ann, BMI) — Capris, Old Town.
90. First Taste of Love (Progressive-Trio-Rumhalero, BMI) —Ben E. King, Atco.
91. If I Knew (Frank-Rinimer, ASCAP) — Nat King Cole, Capitol.
92. All in My Mind (Figure, BMI) — Maxine Brown, Nomar.
94. Don't Believe Him, Donna (Ludlx, BMI) — Lenny Miles, Scepter.
95. Don't Read the Letter (Aldon, BMI) — Patti Page, Mercury.
96. I Don't Want Nobody (Sophisticate, BMI) — Ella Johnson & Bobby Johnson, Cliff, Mercury.
97. Oh Lonesome Me (Acuff-Rose, BMI) — Johnny Cash, Sun.
98. Yes, I'm Lonesome Tonight (Bourne, ASCAP) — Dodie Stevens, Dot.
99. Sugar Bee (Goldband, BMI) — Cleveland Crochet, Goldband.
100. This Is My Story (Aladdin, BMI) — Mickey & Sylvia, RCA Victor.

RANK AUDIO PLASTICS' U. S. DISK SALES CLIMB

NEW YORK — Rank Audio Plastics, which produces TUP (thin unbreakable plastic) records here, has enjoyed a steadily climbing sales curve since the product was first introduced in the United States just a year ago.

The process was developed by the French firm, Librairie Hachette, and has since been franchised by that firm for production in a number of countries. In England and the U. S., the production firms are jointly owned by the Rank Organization and Librairie Hachette. In France, the process has become most closely identified with the magazine, Sonorama, which includes in its pages plastic disk inserts. All pressing equipment is manufactured by the French firm.

The American firm, under general manager, Harold Friedman, and sales director, Bud Quinn, has concentrated largely on commercial, promotional and educational applications of the product, and according to Quinn, this approach has paid off with business written in the past three months equal to the total done in the first nine months of the current year.

The firm is currently stressing the fact that it now offers more than just the single facility of pressing the thin, bendable, vinyl disks. Like radio of an earlier day, which offered not only broadcasting services but all types of merchandising as well, Rank Audio Plastics now sells a complete service which includes printing of promotion pieces and planning complete campaigns right down to the point of sale, where the plastic disks are the integral part of the promotion.

Just recently, the firm completed preparation of a special annual re-

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Audio Fidelity Cuts Lists on Album Series

NEW YORK — Audio Fidelity Records has announced a cut in suggested list prices of a portion of its album line, effective today January 2.

All AFLP series currently pegged at $5.95 now carry a suggested price of $4.98. All elements in AFSD and FCS series, now listed at $6.95 will be labeled at $5.95. Suggested lists on all other series, including DFM, DFS, Personality, Audio Rarities and AF Stereo Masterlapes, remain unchanged.

Special dealer and distributor programs have been set up to make these price adjustments possible without risk of loss of profit margin or inventory value of the disks.

MUSICIANS GET BONUS ON KING RECORDS DATE

NEW YORK — Some members of the American Federation of Musicians, Local 802, got an unexpected Christmas bonus recently when King Records came through with the second payment of a date they recorded some years ago.

The disk involved an album originally cut on Bethlehem on which the disk firm was given permission by the union to cut instrumental background tracks for vocalist Frances Faye. The State Department, through Bethlehem, had requested the tracking job because it wanted to distribute the tapes to foreign countries where native singers might record over the track in their mother tongues.

Herbie Mann, who played flute and saxophone on the date, listening to the radio some months ago, noticed that the same arrangements, but different tracks, were being used on a recording date of Lorez Alexandria. Some investigation on his part unearthed the fact that King, which has acquired the original tapes in the meantime, had recorded an album by the thrush over the tape originally made for Miss Faye.

The diskery was notified by the union that triple date scale must be paid to all members of the ork and arranger Frank Hunter again. Thus the special Christmas cheer for some members of Local 802.

MERC TO FETE ARTY DEALERS

CHICAGO — Mercury is planning a window-dressing contest for dealers with its new "An Evening With Nichols & May" album. The contest is being held in nine key cities. Prizes include two round-trip tickets to New York; hotel accommodations, dinner for two at a "chic restaurant" in Gotham; and two tickets for the Nichols and May show. Contest closes January 21. Dealers must submit photos of their windows and the winners will be determined by Charlie Fach, the label's national sales promotion manager.

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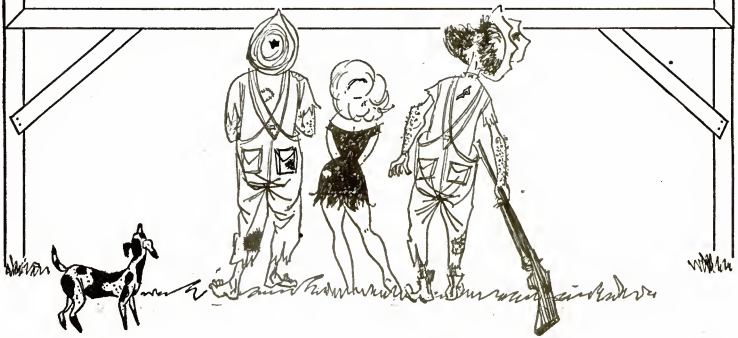

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BRITISH *Newsnotes*

By DON WEDGE
News Editor, New Musical Express

As expected, **Elvis Presley's** "It's Now or Never" has set a new record for the fastest million-selling disk in Britain. It took six and one-ha.' weeks and during that period it was No. 1 on the charts. The previous fastest million-selling disk here was **Harry Belafonte's** "Mary's Boy Child" which reached the coveted gold mark in eight weeks in 1957. **Paul Anka's** "Diana" sold a million in Britain alone the same year but took longer. Presley is getting big action, too, with his LP, "G. I. Blues," which is selling fast enough to move up to No. 24 on the singles chart!

A million sale in Britain is an enormous achievement. British Decca is proud of its 250,000 sale of another RCA disk—**Jim Reeves'** "He'll Have to Go." Issued January 22, it passed the quarter-million mark this month. Continuous pushing for most of the long period was responsible.

MOVIE BUSINESS: Two Doris Day films and two starring **Frank Sinatra** are among those picked as the best of the year at the box office by the British film trade paper "Kinematograph Weekly." Miss Day's top money-makers were "Pillow Talk" and "Please Don't Eat the Daisies." Sinatra had "Ocean's Eleven" in the same category and "Can-Can" in the special shows section. None of these films produced a big hit disk.

PUBLISHER DEAL: Tempo Music, controlled by **Ray Charles**, has been launched here by the **Leeds** group's **Cyril Shaw**.

VISITORS HERE: Phil Kahl was in for talks with **Fred Jackson**, who looks after Kahl's British publishing interests. . . . **Joe Glaser** spent four days of talent discussions with the London representative, **Harold Davison**. . . . **Another** Davison visitor was **Freddy Fields**, **Judy Garland's** agent. . . . **Gower Champion** was auditioning hopefuls for "Bye, Bye Birdie."

TO THE U. S.: First Hollywood film for **Dave King** is "Pirates of Tortuga" for which he returns to Spain. . . . **Bobby Fox**, January 9. . . . **Frankie Vaughan** is due back at the same studio mid-February for a third picture.

HOME FRONT: BBC - TV's "Juke Box Jury" panel December 24 had a notable debut by **Peter Sellers**. . . . After 18 years without a break, handleader **Leu Preager** will have to disband temporarily next month following three major operations.

NEW RELEASES: There were no major releases last week as is customary before the holiday. Phillips resumes December 30 with two singles. Top other labels are making another week before scheduling new sides.

RECORD SALES: "Save the Last Dance for Me" by the Drifters (London) continues to press **Elvis Presley's** "New or Never" for No. 1 spot; **Johnny Tillotson's** "Poetry in Motion" (London) has moved from 7th place to No. 3 to challenge. . . . A five-place jump to No. 9 by the **Ventures** with "Walk, Don't Run" makes the group's second successive Top 10 entry. . . . **Mary Wilde's** revival of "Lily Girl" (Philips), which was recorded by **Chuck Sugel** for Epic last spring is at No. 20.

Newcomers include the **Acker Bilk** Band's version of "Buona Sera" (EMI-Columbia) at No. 25; **Cliff Richard's** "Little Ideas" (Columbia) at No. 28, while **Teddy Bears** return to the chart with "Till" (Philips), sharing the No. 30 spot with **Bobby Rydell's** "Swing Down Sweet Chariot. . . . The EMI group, with 15 disks, has most chart entries; the Decca group follows with 10, the Philips group has four and Pye two. This totals 31 records (there being two at No. 30) and of the 15 EMI records issued in America, 13 in Britain, while the Decca Continent is unusually represented by two—**Nina and Frederick's** "Little Donkey" from Denmark and **Edith Piaf's** "Milord" from France.

Best Selling Pop Records in BRITAIN

Week ending December 30, 1960
(Courtesy New Musical Express, London)

Last This Week	Week	Title
1	1	IT'S NOW OR NEVER—Elvis Presley (RCA)
2	2	SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME—Drifters (London)
3	3	POETRY IN MOTION—Johnny Tillotson (London)
4	4	I LOVE YOU—Cliff Richard (Columbia)
5	5	STRAWBERRY FAIR—Anthony Newley (Decca)
6	6	LONELY PUP—Adam Faith (Parlophone)
7	7	LITTLE DONKEY—Nina and Frederik (Columbia)
8	8	GOODNESS GRACIOUS ME—Peter Sellers and Sophia Loren (Parlophone)
9	9	PERFIDIA—Ventures (London)
10	10	ROCKING GOOSE—Johnny and the Hurricanes (Londonl)
11	11	MAN OF MYSTERY—Shadows (Columbia)
12	12	GURNEY SLADE—Max Harrip (Fontana)
13	13	MY HEART HAS A MIND OF ITS OWN—Connie Francis (M-G-M)
14	14	MY LOVE FOR YOU—Johnny Mathis (Fontana)
15	15	EVEN MORE PARTY POPS—Russ Conway (Columbia)
16	16	DREAMING—Frankie Vaughan (London)
17	17	ANGEL—Roy Orbison (London)
18	18	LONG AS HE NEEDS ME—Shirley Bassey (Columbia)
19	19	LIVELY—Marty Wilde (Philips)
20	20	LITTLE GIRL—Marty Wilde (Philips)
21	21	'D' IN LOVE—Cliff Richard (Columbia)
22	22	THE STRANGER—Shadows (Columbia)
23	23	MILORD—Edith Piaf (Columbia)
24	24	G. I. BLUES (E.P.)—Elvis Presley (RCA)
25	25	COUNTING STARS/POS—Emile Ford (Pye)
26	26	BUONA SERA—Acker Bilk (Columbia)
27	27	OL' McDONALD—Frank Sinatra (Capitol)
28	28	LIKE STRANGERS—Everly Brothers (London)
29	29	GEORGIA ON MY MIND—Ray Charles (HMV)
30	30	SWAY—Bobby Rydell (Columbia)
30	30	TILL—Tony Bennett (Philips)

ITALIAN *Newsnotes*

By SAM'L STEINMAN
Piazza San Anselmo 1, Rome

Renato Rascel and **Titanus** have filed a counter suit to contest the sequester of their tune "Romanica." The original suit, filed by **Dr. Nicola Festa**, charged plagiarism and brought about the sequester side of the tune by the court. This was done on the testimony of Italy's top opera composer **Ildebrando Pizzetti** ("Murder in the Cathedral"). He noted that there were 10 to 12 notes of similarity between the Festa composition and "Romanica." In the counter-claim Rascel contends that there are twice as many points of difference between Festa's unpublished "Angiola" and **Rinaldo Rinaldo's** "Artist Symphony." Rascel, meanwhile, is making a 15-day holiday appearance in "Rascelmania," a review of his 30-year history as composer - comedian - film star. This show is a stepping-for the forthcoming **Domenico Modugno-Della Scala** musical, "Rinaldo on the Battlefield." The latter show was held up when Modugno broke his leg.

FESTIVALS: San Remo selection list is expected momentarily announcement. Although composer-singers are barred from presenting their own numbers this year, they are said to be well represented in the list. **Bruno Canfora** and **Armando Trovajoli** are among the favorites to be chosen as orchestra conductors. A bigger push than ever by movie producers for their songs is expected. **Dino LeLauretis**, for instance, has completed a film called "I Love You Love," in which each sequence is introduced by a song sung by **Jimmy Fontana, Mina, Little Tony, Gianni Morandi, Joe Sentieri** and **Peppino di Capri** and most are expected to be on the San Remo list. . . . March 1 is date for Amateur Singers Pop Song Festival at Vicenza. . . . **Pratesi Prandina** in Vicenza presents a Festival of Veneto Songs in April.

TV-RADIO: Final 12 in "Canzionissima" from which winner will be announced January 7 are: (modern) "Romanina," "Serenata a Margellina," "Libero," "Ore in Portofino," "Quando Vien La Sera," "Malatia"; (old - timers) "Ad dio Sogni di Gloria," "Come Le Rose," "Violino Trigano," "Portan Tante Rose," "Torna," "Oa Sera d Maggio." . . . "Moderato Swing" began a new TV series on day after Christmas with **Marino Barreto, Johnny Dorelli, Ugo Tognazzi** and **Paolo Orlandi** as initial guests. . . . Three-point New Year's Eve pickup in Italy featured **Arturo Testa, Umberto Bindi, Gino Latino** and **Peppino di Capri. . . . Wilma DeAngelis** and **Nicola Arigliano** have received awards for best radio program of 1960, "Best Songs of Oldies Time." . . . **Nunzio Rotondo** has been signed for a new series of half-hour pop TV shows.

TRAVELERS: Johnny Desmond back on the set of "The Caribbean Hawk" after a three-day American trip to record TV commercials. . . . He has also done the songs for another Italian film, "The Keeper." His plans here include starting his own recording company. . . . **CGD's Giuseppe Giannini** off for American musical centers on January 7 to deal with music and recording personalities. He will be gone three weeks. . . . The **Captain** are back in Italy after a tour of Lebanon, Iran and Egypt, all centers where they were combined with the scene. . . . **Peggy Lee** is booked for Rome and Milan in a tour which includes London, Brussels and Berlin. . . . **Connie Francis** is expected here for concerts after her March 5 date in Beirut.

ATTRACTIONS: The international Music Salon at Rome's Permanent has proved to be the top attraction of the year, with its salons with holiday boost. . . . **Paul Anka** is topping Italian lists with "Dove (Where Are You?) which he recorded in Italian on Columbia label. . . . Voce del Padrone has issued both The Best of Nat King Cole" and "The Best of Frank Sinatra," both big sellers in Italy. . . . **Joe Sentieri's** first for Ricordi is "Today I Saw You" and "Before You," both in Italian.

PUBLICATIONS: Bideri of Naples has just published "Concertino Napoletano," edited by **Giovanni Sarno**, a glossary of Neapolitan songs. Graz, Iost!

GERMAN *Newsnotes*

By JIMMY JUNGERMANN
Producer, Bayerischer Rundfunk, Munich

Elvis Presley's "Wooden Heart" recording is still at the top all over Germany.

FILM MUSIC: Polydor and Constantin had a reception for **Peter Alexander** to mark the opening of another remake: the filmusical "The White Horse Inn." There are three new LP's of the pic on the market.

TO THE U. S.: Lolita got an invitation to tour the States for six weeks. And "Bert (Wonderland by Night") **Kaempfert** will visit New York.

RECORDING SESSION: Polydor recorded an LP in Berlin featuring **"Toots" Thielemans** and the strings by **Kurt Edelhagen**. The disk is scheduled for next spring.

VISIT-OUT: Helmut Zacharias will conduct a concert in Bilboo, Spain, featuring an orchestra of 90 and a choir of 40. . . . Singing group, the **Espanoles**, left Germany for a visit in Greece.

HONORS: These records (among others) got the Grand Prix Du Disque 1960-1961 from the Academie Du Disque Francais: **Jeef Kelberth's** "Der Freischuetz" starring **Elisabeth Grummer, Lisa Otto, Rudolf Schock,** and **Gottlieb Frick; Thomas Beecham's** "Carmen" set with **Victoria de los Angeles** and **Nicolai Gedda; Gilbert Becaud,** the **Camerata Instrumentale.**

LEGIT: Most popular operetta in Germany in the theater season 1959-1960 was "The Fiedermaus" again. It played 725 times in 32 theaters.

NEW RELEASES: Warner **Bros.** issued an **EP** of **Ira Ironstring** playing "Hi Fi Goes Charleston." . . . The London label introduced jazz alto sax player **Cue Porter.** Never heard of him? Well, it' **Johnny Hodges** with a group of Ellingtonians. . . . The RCA label chased jazz collector's item: Records made by **Tommy Ladnier** and **Mezz Mezzrow** 22 years ago.

By BRIGITTE KEEB
Music Editor, Automaten-Markt, Braunschweig, Germany

Deutsche Grammophon Records in 1961 in Germany. Most successful Dot star has been **Billy Vaughn** more than 1 million recording, "Blueberry Hill" and "You Belong to My Heart," has already sold more than 500,000 records within six weeks. Teldec has also taken over the French label Festival for German distribution.

NEW RELEASES: The German version of "Till," entitled "Du Sollst Meine Liebe Sein" (You Shall Be My Love) sung by **Bob Azzam,** famous for his bit "Mustapha" in Germany, received a backed with German version of the French hit "Pais Moi Je Dois Partir" (Ich Muss Leider Auf Dem Weg Nach Marrakesch" (On the Way to Marrakesch). . . . Some 300 German artists have been published by German record firms during the period from January to December 1960.

There are many new German versions of American titles just ar- . . . Some 300 Old Way" has a German lyric entitled "Ich Hab Noch Immer Mein Liebl" sung by **Peter Krauss** on Polydor. Flip is a German version of the French Mon Mari Chapeau." . . . "La Pachanga" has just been recorded by **Hazy Osterwald** and **Andrey Kostelanetz** on Decca.

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DANISH *Newsnotes*

By TED WOLFRAM
Care of American Express, Copenhagen

A new composer, **Jørgen Bentzon**, was offered in a concert at the Odd Fellows Palace, Decemberdnd 14 presented by **Gosta Schwark**, as impressario and "angel," and **Ib Glindemann**, whose 14-piece jazz orchestra was chosen by Harry Belafonte for his concerts here. **Erik Mossheim's** Trio and **John Lund's** Octet also played. While the concert was dedicated "Jazz For Every Taste," its main feature was the first performance of Bentzon's "Monkton Blues," with the composer at the piano, backed by Glindemann's band.

SILENT NIGHT: Hibernation is quite the right word, but Copenhagen during most of Christmas week resembles Wall Street on Saturday. The majority of its residents spend the week in the towns from which they came, and few tourists are in evidence, as amusements are few until New Year's Eve, when night life gets going again.

IN PERSON: Few recording stars appear in Denmark, excepting those taking part in various big Christmas charity concerts and shows. **Svend Asmussen,** of the

Verve Offers LP Discount

HOLLYWOOD — Verve Records is launching its "61 Prep Plan" during January as a monthlon r restocking program aimed at replenishing depleted inventory. The label will offer a 15 per cent discount on its entire catalog of more than 800 LP's (stereo and monaural). The program goes into effect January 1 and closes the 31st of the month.

VICTOR PRICES STEREO ACTIONS

NEW YORK — RCA Victor's Stereo Action line (The Billboard, Dec. 26) will be priced at $5.98. All of the albums released in the series will be in stereo, and the disks will be packaged in de luxe boxes, with separate liner notes.

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Roulette Wins Suit Against Canadian-Am.

NEW YORK — Roulette Records has won its suit against Canadian-American Records Ltd.

The suit was filed earlier this year by Roulette, charging that the Canadian-American sound track album of "Murder Inc.," which featured Sarah Vaughan's voice, and her photo on the cover, was an infringement of the label's exclusive contract with Miss Vaughan. A temporary injunction was granted a few months ago which restrained the defendants from any further manufacturing and marketing of the album.

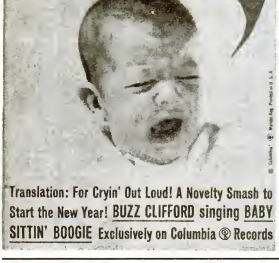
Last week, Judge Abraham D. Levy, in the New York Supreme Court, awarded Roulette the decision by enjoining the defendants from making any albums with Miss Vaughan's likeness on the cover or her voice on the album.

Roulette was also awarded damages of $8,800 to cover their loss on albums distributed prior to the court action and decision.

Welk Album Due From Dot

HOLLYWOOD — Dot Records will issue a Lawrence Welk "Calcutta" album (to cash in on the market created by his strong-selling single). According to Dot President Randy Wood, the label will hit the market with 200,000 copies of the album, scheduled for release December 30.

Wood further added that he placed an additional pressing order for "Calcutta" singles last week which will hit the million pressing mark for the single. If the sales curve continues upward, this will be Welk's first hit single, indicating he may be creating a following in the teen-age set.



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JACK'S CHOICE FOR INAUGURAL: CLASSICAL FARE

WASHINGTON — President-Elect John F. Kennedy has chosen a classical concert program for the 1962 Inaugural Concert, according to the 1961 Inaugural Committee.

The concert, one of the few musical functions of inaugural activities, has been part of inaugurations since Washington's time. The one to be held January 19 in Washington's Constitution Hall, will feature Howard Mitchell and the National Symphony Orchestra, violin soloist Mischa Elman, pianist Earl Wild, and the Georgetown and Howard University Male Choruses.

Four programs were submitted to the President-Elect by Howard Mitchell. The program chosen emphasizes American music and composers. John La Montaine, young American composer and Pulitzer Prize winner, has been commissioned to write an orchestral overture to begin the concert.

In attendance will be President-Elect and Mrs. Kennedy, Vice - President - Elect and Mrs. Lyndon B. Johnson, former President and Mrs. Harry S. Truman, Mrs. Woodrow Wilson, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, members of the new cabinet, Maria Callas and Mort Sahl, among others.

Bess Music in Copy't Action

NEW YORK — Bess Music Inc. filed suit in federal court against Consolidated Music Publishers Inc. for alleged infringement of the copyright, "Today I Sing the Blues." The suit seeks an injunction, an accounting and a declaration that plaintiff is the rightful owner of the publishing and recording rights.

According to the complaint, prior to October 1947, Curtis Lewis and Curley Hamner wrote the tune and assigned their rights to Medallion Music Corporation, who assigned to plaintiff in 1952.

The complaint charges that in or about the past year defendant has published the tune and licensed the recording rights without the consent of the plaintiffs. The complaint charged that defendants have claimed they own the publishing and recording rights and the right to license others. That assertion is false and erroneous, the complaint charges.

M-G-M Gives Singles Line January Hypo

NEW YORK—M-G-M Records kicks off the new year with a heavy emphasis on singles, with the home sales force consisting of sales chief Leon Schachere, Sol Greenberg and Harry Anger all hitting the road on selling tours.

The label currently has two new singles both of which are moving up on the charts. Joni James with her vocal version of the hit "Last Date," titled "My Last Date With You," shows in the 69 slot, while Conway Twitty hit the Hot 100 for the first week with "C'est Si Bon," in the 72 position.

Meanwhile, the label is about to release two new singles, including Connie Francis' "Where the Boys Are," and David Rose's instrumental of the theme music from "Cimarron." Both are pic tunes. In the new talent area, the label has signed singer Michael Allen and composer, arranger, conductor, Malcolm Dodds.

Two London Promos Going On Packages

NEW YORK—London Records has kicked off two separate special promotion efforts on package merchandise, effective at once. A story in last week's Billboard erroneously indicated that only one program was under way.

A program designated as SP-61 contains such features as an extra 10 per cent discount on the general London catalog, with dated billing and local advertising allowances. The second of the two deals is designated "Surplus Stereo Stock Program" and refers to a special half price plan on 66 selected stereo albums from the catalog. Lee Hartstone, vice-president of London Records, stressed that the two are entirely separate programs.

JACK CRAWFORD, RECORDING VET, FETED BY RCA

NEW YORK — The Sky Garden Room of the St. Moritz Hotel was the festive scene of a retirement banquet for RCA Victor recording engineer Jack Crawford this past Thursday (29).

Crawford, who has also marked 45 years with RCA, started with the company in 1915. During his tenure with Victor, he has held the positions of sapphire grinder, recording technician and has been a recording engineer since 1940. He has waxed such fabled names as Wanda Landowska, Heifetz, Horowitz, Van Cliburn and Artur Rubinstein.

Rubinstein and his wife, Arthur Fiedler and a number of other top recording names were in attendance at the special banquet which was emceed by recording manager Don Richter. Among the speakers at the occasion were George Marek, vice-president and general manager; Norman Racusin, vice-president and operations manager, and W. W. Bullock, vice-president, business affairs.

Roulette Buys Coast Disks

NEW YORK — Roulette Records has purchased two West Coast masters last week—"Till the End of Time" by Miles and Andrew on the Play label, and "Teen Bride" by the Coachmen on Iona.

The masters will retain their respective labels but will be distributed nationally by Roulette. Miles and Andrew are currently appearing at the United Artists Theater in Los Angeles with deejay Alan Freed's (KDAY, Hollywood) new stageshow.

On the international scene, Roulette's foreign operations manager, Donald Singer, reports that Roulette and its Tico subsidiary will henceforth be handled exclusively in Italy by G. Ricordi. Roulette has also renewed its contract with Polydisc of Athens, for manufacture and distribution of its product in Greece.

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fering in January devotes only one package to instrumental music (Carmen Dragon) with the remainder going to opera. Release is highlighted by a complete "Madame Butterfly" recording featuring the late Jussi Bjoerling. In addition, the label is issuing a single LP "Highlights" version of the complete Bjoerling "Butterfly," plus Volume 1 in the projected three-album series, "The Beloved Bjoerling;" Thus, a full half of the label's January long-hair product is devoted to the late tenor. Remaining two LP's are "highlight" versions of previously issued complete "Faust" and "La Traviata" recordings.

Angel Sets

Similarly, opera grabs the limelight of Angel's share of the release with a complete recording of "Marriage of Figaro" featuring Elisabeth Schwarzkopf. Other albums include soprano Anna Moffo in a set of selected arias, and a package by the Oberkirchen Children's Choir. Release includes pianist Claudio Arrau's recording of the Beethoven Emperor Concerto, the fourth Beethoven Concerto he has recorded for the label in his projected series of the complete five concerti. Another opera-flavored LP features the Scots Guards' Regimental Band in a performance of opera overtures. Two of this month's three additions to Angel's "Great Recordings of the Century" series are similarly devoted to opera in re-issued recordings by baritone Mattia Battistini and Tito Schipa. Third features harpsichordist Wanda Landowska in an album of Scarlatti works.

Liberty Launches

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media. In addition, it will supply specially prepared "story line notes" to disk jockeys as suggested continuity copy on all the artists and albums in the release.

Merchandising aids will include browser box headers, display kits and other point-of-sale material for dealer use. The campaign will be sparked by distributor meetings to be held this week by the label's executives. Don Bohanan and Bud Dain will cover distributors in the East, Kenneth Revercomb in the Southwest, Joe Sadd in the Midwest, Bob Skaff for the South, and Don Blocker will cover the West Coast.

Lanin Album

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ception of the Lanin set, will be subject to a 10 per cent discount during January. All stereo sets will be subject to a 20 per cent discount. These discounts will be available to Epic distributors until January 31.

The same discount schedule will apply to all Perfect LP's. In addition, Epic is offering distributors a 10 per cent discount on all four-track tapes.

To back up the sales plan, Epic has conceived a number of merchandising aids for dealers. They include a mounted Lester Lanin counter card, ad mats, counter browser boxes, and easels of Epic and Perfect album products

Columbia Bows

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available among the classical selections for January.

Columbia has also signed and is issuing its first album by the Chico Hamilton Quintet; there are also sets by Andre Previn's trio and Dave Brubeck with singer Jimmy Rushing in its jazz release.

The two sound albums feature "100 Guitars," and "Les Grandes Chansons—Volume IV" with Jacqueline Francois.

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How 1961 Disk Year Looks

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pated that the largest firms will continue to exert every effort to expand the disk market in other ways. One of the signposts along this line is RCA Victor's tie-up with The Reader's Digest — reported in several Billboard stories.

Possibly the area where there will be the biggest expansion will be the field of record distribution. It does not take much more than a glance at last year's increase in the number of distributors in major markets to predict that young record men with backing are finding the field of jobbing records more and more attractive. Almost a score of new distributors opened their doors in 1960, most of them helmed by young men untainted by the payola probes. Through hard work and energy, new distributors have emerged among the number two or three distributors in their towns, a substantial rise in a short time.

Youngsters Arise

As the record business has expanded on the label front, there has been a real need for new distributors. This need is also being filled by the setting up of new branches on the part of already-established distributors. Cosnat, the country's largest distribution chain, expanded to the West Coast in 1960. Milt Salstone of M & S in Chicago set plans for a branch in Cleveland. Herb Cohen of Pittsburgh gave backing to new distributors in New York and Chicago.

As the number of distributors grows, the pressure on the one-stops grows too. Last year some of the key one-stops in the U. S. underwent reorganization. There is little doubt that the new distributors and the old distributors facing new competition will be even more active in 1961 in wooing the dealer and winning him back to distributors for his purchases.

From the dealer point of view, things may not get any better in 1961 but they are not expected to get any worse. In spite of the fact that discounting has increased rather than decreased, many dealers have not only learned to live with discounting but have even learned how to fight the discount stores with the same weapons. Even more, many dealers have discovered that when service is desired, the record shop with a full line of LP's in all fields, attractively displayed, can pull customers who just don't enjoy discount store shopping. Stereo records and percussion records, which usually have to be heard to be appreciated, have brought record buyers back to the legitimate retail disk store.

There will be more and more percussion and sound albums in 1961. It can be expected that eventually all albums will be "sound" albums, whether with orchestras or vocals. And it can also be expected that there will be more product issued than can be sold, most of which will wind up in discount stores as 99 cent LP sale items. Last year more records were sold in retail stores than in any year ever. If business stays on an even keel it can be safely estimated that dealer business will rise again in 1961.

YOUR TICKET TO SALES RESULTS — THE ADVERTISING COLUMNS OF THE BILLBOARD!

A. Kaminstein

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In recent years, Kaminstein supervised the copyright registry system set up in the Copyright Law. He also assisted in preparing the U. S. proposals for the Universal Copyright Convention and was adviser to the U. S. delegation at the Paris meeting in 1951, at which the preliminary draft of the Convention was prepared. The Convention was signed in 1952 and ratified by the U. S. in 1954. This was the first time the U. S. became an adherent to a world-wide copyright treaty.

Kaminstein is a member of the New York Bar, the Federal Bar Association, and of various copyright committees of the American Bar Association.

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STORE-TESTED PROFIT POINTERS FOR DEALERS

Junior Credit Plan Adds to Tape Sales

By ROBERT LATIMER

Editor's Note: Last week credit plans set up by dealers with outside help were discussed. This week a credit plan, as instituted by a dealer himself, for teen-age and other junior customers is outlined.

Tapping a "plus business" market among top of customers who buy $200 tape recorders, have no trade-ins to offer and who seldom haggle over the price is the purpose of a Junior Credit System which has been developed at Lawson's, tape recorder and radio dealership in Phoenix, Ariz.

Adult Contracts

As the credit plan functions, manager Morris Schneider makes no attempt to differentiate between junior customers and adults, so far as the time payment regulations of forms go. Instead, his young-adults (between 18 and 21) and teen-agers of high school ages are simply put on the same contract which adult customers use and make the same sort of payments. Each credit purchase is individually written up, with no particular limitations. The store doesn't demand adult co-signers such as has usually been the practice in developing such time payment plans in the past, nor is there anything other than the usual credit investigation.

"We built up this plan on the basis of complete trust in youngsters who come from families with good credit ratings," Schneider said. "If the youngsters have a reputation for paying their bills, the chances are that they have trained their youngsters the same way and that we will not be running any risks whatsoever. The kids appreciate such trust, and will bend over backwards to make sure that every payment is made on time. Moreover, once they have successfully paid off a contract, they are much easier to sell on the next purchase."

The program is advertised in direct-mail catalogs, which Lawson's sends out to the tune of better than 20,000 a year, to Phoenix residents. A page in the catalog explains the Junior Credit System, pointing out that it isn't necessary for youngsters to pay cash for their purchases, that they may enjoy the same credit privileges as adults and that Lawson's has complete faith and trust in American youth. Pointing out that no co-signer is required makes the program particularly attractive, according to Schneider, who has found that the usual youngster wants to go it on his own where credit buying is concerned.

Substantial Down Payment

Scores of tape recorders in the $200-price bracket have been sold to teen-agers who very seldom have any trade-ins to complicate the issue and who are content to pay the stipulated price, on a time-payment basis, rather than attempting to gain discounts with cash purchases, as is usually the case. The store attempts to get a large enough down payment to make sure that the customer's interest is sincere, and not depend upon clock-like regularity in payments, week after week, thereafter. There have been only a few instances since the program began in which a youngster defaulted on even a single week's payment. When he does, it is a certainty that he will double up on the next payment. He wants to get a large stuff. A close watch is kept on the accounts, and every attempt made to add on other items as soon as the contract is nearly paid out—such as accessories, a better recorder, a phonograph or radio.

Currently, the junior accounts amount to around 15 per cent of the total credit business done by Lawson's, which has two stores in Phoenix. Schneider has every reason to expect that the percentage will rise to 30 per cent in the near future, as the juvenile traffic builds up, propelled by enthusiastic word-of-mouth between teen-agers and even by teachers, who frequently discuss credit buying with their students, not only in this "plus business" at the moment, but it is also a link between teen-agers and young adults which is likely to develope into long-term pleasant relationships in the future. It is conspicuous that teachers, dealing with such customers that they are often making their first visit to a credit plan rather than by any other single feature.

Plan Is Good Training

Naturally, there are a few bad apples in every barrel—but these amount to only 1 per cent or so of the total of juvenile credit sales. When a tape recorder does measure up to his obligations the store simply calls the parents and diplomatically suggests that the tape be returned, with no further attempt at collecting payments. Parents usually comply with this the rest of the payments themselves.

Another element in juvenile credit has been the fact that parents have deliberately brought their sons and daughters in with the suggestion that they open an account as good training for the business world later on. There have been dozens of such instances in both Lawson stores in which a customer who already had an established account has started separate accounts for one or two children, with no co-signing on parental supervision whatsoever.

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MONO PHONO SALES $$ HOLD TO RISING TREND

WASHINGTON The retail sales of monaural phonographs which had been languishing somewhat during the summer months, continued an upward trend in the month of October according to statistics released this week by the Electronics Industries Association. The monthly total was the best since January and continued the sales recoup begun the month before. On the stereo side of the picture, October ranks third following January and February, and this, too, shows a good upward movement from the year's low set in May.

At the factory, October monaural sales at the year's second high—some 2,000 less than the high established in September. The stereo factory sales figure of almost 392,000 topped all previous monthly highs for 1960. All stereo year- to - date figures were well ahead of 1959, but mono figures, while showing some improvement, still lagged behind the 1959 statistics.

These are the statistics as reported by the EIA's Marketing Data Department:

Retail Sales

	Monaural	Stereo
October	126,807	272,101
September	115,863	264,636
August	79,364	257,581
July	58,787	180,949
June	44,925	165,339
May	39,734	141,080
April	41,503	152,141
March	61,249	249,497
February	102,063	347,860
January	150,688	368,964
Year-to-date 1960	820,983	2,400,148
Year-to-date 1959	1,239,374	1,682,900

Factory Sales

	Monaural	Stereo
October	143,160	391,821
September	146,997	384,289
August	109,321	307,517
July	70,992	222,559
June	69,293	198,407
May	36,793	146,176
April	30,962	142,409
March	63,264	242,523
February	92,649	324,666
January	118,400	341,329
Year-to-date 1960	881,831	2,701,696
Year-to-date 1959	945,328	2,172,510

Zenith Debs New Stereo And TV Lines

NEW YORK—A Zenith showing for dealers here at the Barbizon-Plaza Hotel last week displayed 39 basic TV models and 19 new stereo phonos in its 1961 line.

Besides stylistic changes of one kind and another, the company unveiled some new features in its line: a "Gold Video Guard" TV tuner and a "Stereo Professional" automatic record changer.

The "Stereo Professional" changer is available in six of the company's models, rather than one of its TV-radio-phono combinations. It plays four-speeds, is rubber mounted and has a 45 r.p.m. spindle built into the turntable (see new products).

In addition the new changer

NEW AUDIO PRODUCTS

Turntable Has 45 Spindle

One feature of the new Zenith Stereo line (see separate story this issue) is the inclusion of a home console record changer that has a plastic encased 45 r.p.m. spindle which is built into the turntable of its new changer and pops up when needed. Other features of the new changer are an oversized turntable, improved "cobra" custom arm, and the use of rubber to separate and "float" the components of the changer for quieter running.

Dealer Battery Display

A transistor radio battery merchandiser has been devised by the Union Carbide and Carbon consumer products division for the display and sale of its Eveready battery types. Included in the merchandiser are five of the fastest-selling Eveready products which are applicable for use in 95 per cent of all transistor radio transistors. The display unit has a transparent front and a label on each of the drawers gives the battery number, National Electronic Distributor Association number and interchangeable stock numbers. With the pack comes an assortment of streamers, envelope stuffers and line catalog of radio batteries. The merchandiser with the batteries sells for $17.98.

Hi-Fi, Stereo on the Move

The George Koch and Sons Company of Evansville, Ind. has come up with a gadget that will certainly get your stereo sets on the move. The firm has a new caster-wheeled cart that makes stereo and hi-fi more mobile. The cart has a built-in record rack for 100 large albums and the set is of an all-welded construction. 27 inches high, 24 inches long and 19 inches wide. The suggested list price is $35.

Stereo Tape Consoles

The "Robertina" is the name of the new stereo tape console being offered by the Roberts Electronics Corporation of Los Angeles. The set retails for about $1,095 and features a four-speaker, non-directional system with separate AM-FM tuner. The set comes in a solid Danish walnut cabinet.

FM-AM Stereo Receiver

The Fisher Radio Corporation has added a new stereo receiver which will be designated Model 500S and which has 22½ watts per channel. The set, which has a total of some 20 controls, is designed to sell for $349.50 retail.

AUDIO NEWS BRIEFS

The Stromberg - Carlson Consumer Products Division has announced that **Robert W. Pemberton** is its new regional sales manager for the Midwest territory. ... **Robert M. Carstens** has been promoted to the post of assistant sales manager for the Philco Sales Corporation's international division. ... **Palmer M. Craig** has been appointed to the job of heading up the Philco Corporation's Palo Alto, Calif., development laboratories. Prior to his new assignment, Craig was in the consumer products branch of the firm.

Telectro has appointed the Sampson Company of Chicago as its Northern Illinois franchised distributor of tape recorders. ... The board of directors of the Collins Radio Corporation has elected **John B. Tuthill** and **W. W. Roodhouse** to vice-president of finance and vice-president of administration, respectively. ... The Anderson Radio Corporation has announced Christmas bonuses of five, four and three per cent for their employees. ... **Pacesonics** to head up its distributor sales office-in the New York Metropolitan area.

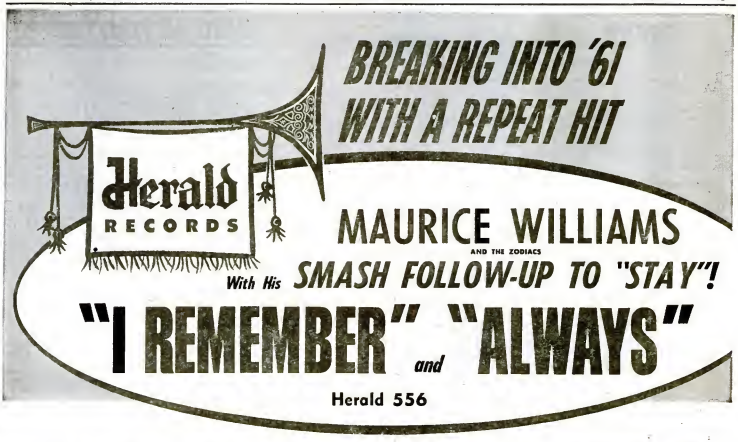
A. H. Center has rejoined the Motorola Corporation as vice-president in charge of public relations. He returns from the Leo Burnett advertising agency where he held the same post. Center had been director of public relations with Motorola from 1952-1959. ... Two Midwest representatives have been appointed by the Ferrodynamics Corporation. The **Paul Kurtz** Company in Detroit and the **John M. Anderson** firm in Minneapolis are the new reps. ... Sylvania Home Electronics has appointed two new sales vice-presidents: **George T. Stewart** in the East and **Austin J. White** in the Midwest.

Arvin to Clip Model Prices

COLUMBUS, Ind. — Three 1961 transistor portable models to be introduced by Arvin Industries at the Chicago Housewares Show, January 16, will bear impressive price reductions. Due, the company says, to cost saving manufacturing techniques, a six-transistor, and two seven-transistor portables will carry price tags that are from 28 to 37 per cent lower than comparable 1960 models.

A six-transistor miniature will be retail-priced at $24.95 which is $15 less than a comparable 1960 model which retails at $39.95. In addition, the two seven-transistor sets have been reduced to $29.95 and $34.95, respectively.

The price line will be held, however, on the rest of the company's new line. This includes a shortwave, three-band portable that has a built-in log book that will continue in the $100 category.



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VOX JOX

By JUNE BUNDY

POST YULE: Stan Richards, WINS, New York, is running a "Christmas Tie Exchange" on his morning show. Listeners are asked to send in eye-sore gift ties to Richards, who—in turn—will send them another tie from the storehouse of the exchange. "It may be better or worse," notes Richards, "no guarantees, but who can judge individual tastes. Why suffer aghast glances? There is no charge for this service." . . . Red Jones, program director-deejay, KILT, Houston, had a busy Christmas season. He emceed 10 record hops in 12 days, in addition to his regular p.d. chores and a daily four-hour show.

BAREFOOT SANTAS: Two KPOI, Honolulu deejays—Jack Moffatt and Ron Jacobs—raised money for the local Advertiser Newspaper's Christmas Fund the hard way. Moffatt (attired in a Santa Claus suit) and Jacobs (wearing a mummuu stood at the busy Kalakaua and Kaplani intersection December 21 and collected wastebaskets full of money from passing motorists. At the same time, station KPOI played and dedicated records to every donor who dropped by with $1 or more.

The jocks held a contest to see who could collect the most, and by midnight (they started at 6 a.m.) they had jointly collected a total of $3,414.58. A local restaurant, Coco's, gave contributors free coffee. Both Moffatt and Jacobs were barefoot most of the time, with Moffatt—encased in the plush Santa suit, suffering the most from the tropical heat. Moffatt ordinarily hoped aboard a limo and collected from passengers before jumping off a block away and walking back. In a page-one feature story in The Honolulu Advertiser, Jacobs was quoted as follows: "Tour (tourists) cars would come along, and everyone would stare at the redheaded native in a mummuu, out with a wastebasket and wonder what kind of a quaint custom this was. I'd go over and talk up the fund and collect $4 or $5."

CHANGE OF THEME: Chuck Daugherty, former all-night deejay at WXYZ, Detroit, is changing his hours and taking over the early morning slot (6-10 a.m.) at WQTE, Detroit. The jock will also be on the air from 6 to noon on Saturdays. . . . William T. McKibben, assistant to the veepee of the Balahan Stations, has been appointed to the North County Branch of YMCA Managers. . . . Gordon M. Lund is the new general manager of KOME, Tulsa, succeeding Charles W. Loufek, who has joined WEW, St. Louis, a newly acquired Franklin Broadcasting property. Station KOME is also a Franklin station.

Richard Hayes' "Big Beat" record hop show on WNEW-TV, New York, has been sliced to a weekly telecast. Formerly aired daily, 5:30-6 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 8-9 p.m. on Saturday, the "Big Beat" will now only be telecast as an hour Saturday show. . . . Gary Mercer, ex-WWIZ, Lorain, Ohio, has moved to WNCO, Ashland, Ohio, effective December 28.

John Trotter, formerly program director and deejay at KABC, Hollywood, has replaced Joel Spivak at KILT, Houston. Spivak has moved to WPRO, Providence, R. I. . . . Norman S. McGee is acting chief executive of WQXR, New York, and Walter Neiman will be acting program director in the absence of Elliott M. and Eleanor Sanger, who ordinarily handle those duties. Sanger has temporarily relinquished his post to become general manager of The New York Times International Edition in Paris.

GAB BAG: Free-lance programmer **Bill Gavin** writes. "Retro-spectacular-1960: This was the year for the 'spectaculars'—the hits of the past. Some stations devoted entire days to these oldies. Others are now devoting from 25 to 50 per cent of their plays to former hits. As a result, the difficulties already facing the oldies quest expected of new releases have been multiplied. Single sales have dropped to less than 50 per cent of their former volume. Transhipping has been accepted, but still continues. Counterfeiting has been uncovered and prosecution of the accused has been undertaken. Public acceptance of new sounds from both the country and blues field continues to grow. At the same time there has been a growing trend in favor of the more conventional instrumental sounds."

THIS 'N' THAT: Jerry Lewis has lined up a flock of big name Hollywood deejays to appear in his new movie "Ladies Man." The spinners include Ira Cook, Peter Potter, Dick Whittinghill, and Dick Haynes.

CANADA: George Balcsen, CKOC, Hamilton, Ont., is sending out a weekly newsletter which he calls "Wbatinbeegington." He lists news of the industry, as well as OC's top 30, and "jocks for jocks." . . . Twenty per cent of English-speaking Montrealers who live in what is considered the better residential areas now own FM sets, Elliott-Haynes, Ltd., has concluded from a survey. Listeners divide their time between CBC-FM and the separately-programmed CKVL-FM, Verdun. It's estimated that there are more than 350,000 FM sets in use in Montreal, Ottawa, and Toronto. . . . Station CHLO, St. Thomas, will produce an LP of the winners of the annual Rotary Music Festival. . . . Program manager of CHUM, Toronto, **Allan Slaight,** reports more than 10,000 letters were received with a contest held in connection with "Johnny Mathis Day." Three Mathis records per hour were played over a 24-hour period, while listeners were invited to send in the titles of any 10 records played. Prizes were tickets to Mathis and 13 albums.

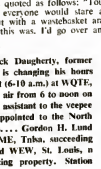
ARTISTS' BIOGRAPHIES FOR JOCKEY PROGRAMMING

Richter's RCA Victor LP a Chartmaker

Noted Russian pianist, Sviatoslav Richter was born in Shitomir in the Ukraine in 1915. His father, although an organist, pianist and composer, never taught his son.

The talented young man studied at the Moscow Conservatory and in 1945 won first prize in the U. S. R. Musical Competition. In 1942 Richter began to concertize and played the premiere performance of Prokofieff's Sixth Sonata which brought him into the forefront of Soviet musicians.

Recently Richter made rave notices in his series of New York concerts. He has recorded for a number of labels but his RCA Victor recording of Brahms' Concerto is the first to climb the LP Chart.



Hoochie Coochie Coo Ballard's 5th in Row

This year is one that Hank Ballard and the Midnighters won't soon forget. The veteran group soared back into national prominence for the first time since 1955 with five straight hits, three of which were million sellers.

The string of hits was started by the r.&b. click "Coffee Grand," followed in order by his three golden etchings, "Finger Poppin' Time," "Twist" and "Let's Go, Let's Go, Let's Go." The boys are currently making the scene with "Hoochie Coochie Coo."

The Midnighters are: Lawson Smith, Norman Thrasher, Billy Son Smith, Norman Thrasher, Billy Davis and Henry Brooks and they joined with Ballard in 1953.

Their hits include "Work With Me Annie," "Annie Had a Baby," "Henry's Got Flat Feet," "Sexy Ways," "Kansas City" and "Teardrops on Your Letter." The group has six albums available on the King label, latest of which is "Spotlight on Hank Ballard and the Midnighters."

YESTERYEAR'S TOPS—

The nation's top tunes records as reported in The Billboard

JANUARY 7, 1956
1. Sixteen Tons
2. Memories Are Made of This
3. Moments to Remember
4. Ee
5. I Hear You Knockin'
6. Autumn Leaves
7. Naughty Not Christmas
8. Love and Marriage
9. It's Almost Tomorrow
10. Only You

JANUARY 6, 1951
1. Tennessee Waltz
2. The Thing
3. My Heart Cries for You
4. Harbor Lights
5. Nevertheless
6. Bushel and a Peck
7. Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer
8. All My Love
9. Thinking of You
10. Be My Love

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New York

MANUFACTURER NEWS: Carlton Records has pacted **Merv Griffin** to record both singles and albums for the label. . . . **George Goldner** is issuing a disking of "Rock Around the Clock" with **Frank Boye.** Boye sings the tune in the forthcoming flick "Sock and Rock." . . . Top Rank signed thrush **Johanna Valenti,** Burton Management, headed by **Ed Burton,** will produce all of the singer's disks for the label. **Dick Wolfe** and **Irwin Shuster** will handle the dates. . . . M-G-M Records has inked **Mike Allen,** New York lad who just finished an engagement at Pittsburgh's Holiday House. . . . **Leroy Holmes** just cut a recording date with singer **Randy Lee** for Everest in Nashville. **Hank Garland, Grady Martin** and **Floyd Cramer** were on the date. Lee just finished a short stint in the U. S. Army.

TALENT TOPICS: Violinist Jaime Laredo will make **his first New York appearance at Carnegie Hall, January 4 with the Boston Symphony Orchestra. . . . Cannonball Adderly is writing a column for the New York Amsterdam News. . . . Chris Connor** and **the Charlie Byrd Trio open at the Village Vanguard in New York, January 3. . . . Roy Acuff** and **the Smokey Mountain Boys returned to the U. S. last week after an extended tour of American military installations in France, Germany and Italy. Trip was Acuff's eighth abroad to entertain the Armed Forces. . . . Abbey Lincoln opened at Joe Wells' Upstairs Room in New York, December 30. Thrush is now with Candid Records.**

NBC's "Monitor" rang out the old and rang in the New Year with remotes from two New York jazz clubs, The Metropole and Birdland, featuring the bands of **Lionel Hampton** and **Count Basie,** respectively. . . . **Adam Wade** has waxed the theme song of the 1961 March of Dimes, "Please Say Yes." . . . **Johnny Tillotson** starts a month-long series of personal appearances in the East to plug his recording of "Jimmy's Girl." . . . **The Platters** wound up their Mexican tour last week. Bob Rolontz.

Chicago

MANUFACTURER NEWS. . . . Amos Hellicher's daughter, **Elissa,** became engaged to **Stu Kloner,** a non-pro recently. Amos heads Soma Records along with several Minneapolis distributorships. . . . It was wedding bells for **Don Thorne,** sales manager of Davis Sales, Denver distributorship, and **Bernie Lewis,** also a non-pro. They tied the knot December 18. . . . Pink Cloud Records, a new firm here, released its first pop waxing last week. It features 15-year-old **Wanda Rogers,** their one discovery, on vocals, and deejay **Lynn Hollings,** doing a narration bit.

Mercury has just won the "Prix Charles Cros" (Grand Prix National Du Disque), France's award for the top record of the year. It's a classical disk featuring The Detroit Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Paul Paray: "La Tragedie De Salome, Florent Schmitt; Nocturnes (Edouards Lalo); and La Damoe Des Sept Voiles, Richard Strauss. . . . Jack Mahler, owner of Quad State Distributing, Des Moines, takes over as Kansas City distributor for Columbia. . . . Ernie Stone, 25-year veteran with Decca, has retired. His most recent post, that of Minneapolis branch manager for the label, is being taken over by Russ Holland.

TALENT TATTLES. . . Bob Newhart just signed for his most lucrative television appearance to date—a January 22 appearance on the **Dinah Shore** show for a whopping $7,500. Button Down Bob has had a meteoric rise over the past nine months. He's just concluding a three-week stint at Mister Kelly's here, and received a bonus from the **Brothers Marienthal** that exceeds his salary at the boit for the entire engagement. Bob was working on an option from an earlier engagement, when his fees were considerably less. Packed house for his entire stay prompted the bonus gesture. . . . **Bob Eberhardt** opens for a four-week stay at the Gate of Horn here. He'll be joined by folk singer **Judy Collins.**

Andre Kostelanetz returns to the podium for his second appearance of this season as conductor of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on "Great Music from Chicago," Sunday (8), 9-10 p.m. on WGN-TV (Channel 9). . . . Margaret Whiting and comedian Dave Barry of the make their Mister Kelly's debuts when they begin a three-week engagement Monday (2). . . . Dorothy Donegan and her trio open at the London House for five weeks, Tuesday (3). She'll share the stage with the Audrey Morris trio. . . . Dinah Washington brings her own show to the Tivoli Theater for one week, starting January 27. Nick Biro.

Hollywood

MANUFACTURER NEWS: Liberty Records will kick off the new year with a 10-disk singles campaign. Label is calling it the "P-45" release. Letter "P" stands for "Power," according to Liberty. Release features its top 10 selling artists.

Tempo's President Col. Irving Fogel returned here in time for the yule season after a three-month business trip through Europe and Africa. . . . RCA Victor claims a sellout in San Francisco for its initial shipment of 5,000 Elmer Bleers' "Pretty Tonight," a waltz. . . . Tonight, in Chicago, Kapp Records recorded Bill Dana's "Jose Jimenez at the hungry I" during his four-week run at the spot. Recordings were made two weeks ago, and the album is due out next week.

Warner Bros.' four district sales managers held a series of distributor meetings in their respective territories to introduce the label's January-February program. Presentation will be made in the form of a 35mm filmstrip, showing the new product and the sales push the company will put behind it. Wb's meetings started December 27 and wind up January 3. DSM's conducting the

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CAMELOT: Ormandel and the Starlight Symphony Orchestra offer a light-hearted and pleasant instrumental treatment of 11 tunes from the musical hit by Lerner and Lowe. This is the same team that gave us My Fair Lady, Brigadoon, Paint Your Wagon and the movie, Gigi. Some of the standouts in Irish score are the lovely Follow Me and If I Ever Would Leave You.

PAUL EVANS, 22-year-old chartmaker from Jamaica, Queens, has switched from the subsid Guaranteed to the Cerbino label for his latest release I Love To Make Love To You b-w Show Folk. Paul also plays guitar, drums, piano and composes, plus repairing hi-fi sets as a hobby.

BRENDA LEE, born on December 11, 1944 in Atlanta, Ga., made her first appearance at the age of five in an amateur contest. The petite Miss Lee began her road to popularity with her first appearance on ABC TV's "Ozark Jubilee" where she impressed audiences with her vivacious personality. Thereafter she became a "regular" on the Jubilee in addition to many other guest shots on other TV network shows. Her latest Decca release Emotion b-w I'm Learning About Love earned a Billboard Spotlight. Some of Miss Lee's earlier hits were Jambalaya, One Step At A Time, Sweet Nothin's and her Rockin' Round The Christmas Tree is currently riding high on the charts.

JOHNNY TILLOTSON, Cadence disk star, was born on April 20, 1939 in Jackson, Florida. He attended high school in Palatka, Florida, where he was a singer with the high school band. Tillotson's first professional appearance was a TV guest shot on the local "Toby Dowdy Show." Johnny was so well received he was signed to a regular contract. His "big break" came when Lee Rosenberg, owner of the Southern Belle Music Company heard him sing on a Pet Milk talent contest in Nashville. She arranged an audition for him with Archie Bleyer, Cadence prexy, who signed Johnny to the label. His current hit Poetry In Motion is still high on the charts while his latest release Jimmy's Girl received a Billboard Spotlight.

WEBB PIERCE, one of Decca's top c&w artists, was born on a farm near West Monroe, La., some 30 odd years ago. Since then he has had more than 30 hit songs in a row and his most recent release There's More Pretty Girls Than One b-w Let Forgiveness Be rated a Billboard Spotlight. Webb also had his version of Fallen Idol high on the Country & Western charts. His big hits at Decca include: I'm In The Jailhouse Now, Back Street Affair, Slowly, Tennessee Waltz, More And More, There Stands The Glass, I'm Tired and Honky Tonk Song.

LAWRENCE WELK, the Champagne Maestro from North Dakota, has just released his latest Dot album Calcutta. The single of the same name, taken from the album, merited a Star Performer this week for its rapid rise on the Hot 100.

KITTY WELLS, a name synonymous with c&w. hits, has earned another Billboard Spotlight for her latest Decca release Fickle Fate b-w The Other Cheek. Since signing with Decca in 1952, Miss Wells, who is Mrs. Johnny Wright in private life, has had a continuous flow of hits. Among her biggest were: Paying For A Back Street Affair, I'll Always Be Your Frankie, Searching, Repenting, Making Believe, I Can't Stop Loving You, Change Of Heart and her never to be forgotten answer song to Hank Thompson's Wild Side Of Life—It Wasn't God Who Made Honky Tonk Angels.

To help you spot the ones you need, when you need them, all artists items are carried in strict alphabetical sequence.

Ve Ocer, You're A Liar, Give A Little Whistle, Tell Him and the show stopping El Sombrero.

AM I BLUSHING: Last week's Discourse carried a piece on Ray Charles. Everything came out ok, except we listed "his moving rendition of Georgia On My Mind" as being on the Atlantic label. Everybody knows it's an ABC-Paramount record. Sorry. Stupid typewriter!

BIRTHDAYS OF THE WEEK: Jan. 2, Julius La Rosa, Arthur Prysock. Jan. 3, Maxine Andrews, Victor Borge, Ray Millland. Jan. 4, Slim Gaillard, Nero Morales. Jan. 5, Lindsay Crosby. Jan. 6, Earl Scruggs and Paul Wilson of the Flamingos.

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sessions will be **Stuart Woodruff** (East), **Dick Tobia** (South), **Bob Summers** (Midwest), and **Fran Howell** (West).

You can expect an announcement from Dot Records that it has passed the $12,000,000 sales mark during 1960. Inside sources claim announcement will show that Dot has had its biggest year to date, going above last year's figure by almost 50 per cent.

TALENT TOPICS: The **Modernaires** will open at San Francisco's Fairmont Hotel January 19 after closing their run at Harrah's Club at Lake Tahoe. . . . **Jerry Fielding** went to New York to arrange and conduct a Coral album session with **Teresa Brewer.**

Sam Cooke signed London's Sil Silman and Melbourne's Jack Argiett to serve as his music publishing associates and reps on the foreign market. The RCA Victor artist owns two publishing firms which publish his original songs. . . . Liberty's Bobby Vee starts a two-week one-nighter tour at Washington's Howard Theater. He will also appear in Pittsburgh, Baltimore, New York, Hartford, Providence, Boston, Buffalo, and Schenectady.

Bob Marcucci and **Russ Faith** penned "You're Only Young Once" for **Fabian** to warble in Paramount's "Love in a Goldfish Bowl," film which co-stars Fabian and **Tommy Sands.** . . . Decca's **Brenda Lee,** heading a teen-age vocal troupe, set house records, it is claimed, at Honolulu's Civic Auditorium. Sixteen-year-old songstress reportedly grossed $497,000 during her recent month-long tour of 36 Eastern and Midwestern cities prior to heading for Hawaii. Troupe is managed by **Dub Albritten,** and includes vocalist **Bob Beckham** and vocal-instrumental group, the **Casuals.**

Lee Zhito.

Pittsburgh

MANUFACTURER NEWS: Nick Albarano, Capitol Records branch manager in Pittsburgh, and his operation manager, **Dick McMorrow,** will be in Philadelphia January 5 and 6 to attend a regional meeting.

Nat King Cole, whose musical "I'm With You" perished in Detroit the week before it was to have played the Nixon Theater here, has been booked into the Rose Calderone Twin Coaches nightclub, the week of January 30. After his Pittsburgh club date, Cole is expected to resume work on his play with an eye to bringing It to Broadway next month.

The Alex North sound track album of "Spartacus" for Decca is a hot-selling item throughout this area, reflecting the popularity of the U-I movie, now on a roadshow basis at the Nixon Theater. . . . **Nina Simone,** whose Colpix LP, "Nina at Newport" is doing well here in addition to her single, "Trouble in Mind," will make her debut in this area January 14 at a Carnegie Music Hall concert. **Bob Newhart** is also scheduled for his first date locally in February.

TALENT TOPICS: Lillian Briggs had to cancel out of her Holiday House club date next week when Jerry Lewis picked up option on her for another week, so Betty Reilly gets the date. The Holiday House, entering to more and more record names, has lined up Carmen Cavallaro, January 12; Connie Francis, February 3; Eydie Gorme and Paul Anka, dates not definite as yet. . . . Walter Brown of the Joe Hiller booking office set Tommy Leonetti into the 176 Lounge, Warren, Ohio, January 6 and 7.

Nick Lomakin, who operates three Downtown music stores, moves into the Penn-Sheraton's swank Riverboat Room on January 2, replacing **Muggsy Spanier. . . . "Yes, I'm Lonesome Tonight," by Dodie Stevens and Lawrence Welk's "Calcutta" are continuing great for Dot Records here, according to branch manager Bob Vogel. . . . The Miracles have a lusty one breaking big here in "Shop Around" on the Tamla label, reports Glenn Wright of Bill Larence Distributors.**

Leonard Mendlowitz.

Toronto

MANUFACTURER NEWS: Quality's Toronto manager **Fred Clayton** realized dealers were just too busy to talk with his salesmen the week before Christmas, and ordered the salesmen into the stores to help with sales and push Quality material for the whole week. . . . **Lee Farley, Bill Kearns** and **George Struth** of the Quality executive level were in Chicago for Mercury sales meetings. . . . **Robert Pampe,** managing director of Columbia Records of Canada Ltd., Canadian director-at-large of the Country Music Association, is planning a drive to enlist more Canadian members for the association. He feels that deejays who program country music would like to become members of the association. He also points out that Canada's two top TV programs, "Country Hoedown" and the Don Messer Show are country shows. . . . Clartone, manufacturers of hi-fidelity equipment in Canada, has been using the Spartan-distributed Command album of "Roman Guitars" to demonstrate its equipment. . . . **Phil Anderson** of Arc Sound claims he was unable to keep 101 Years of Great Music on Somerset in stock before Christmas. . . . Columbia Records' original cast recording of "Camelot" was in the stores just two days before Christmas.

TALENT TOPICS: CBS carried on a TV network interview with Harry Belafonte about his start in show business, his social and political beliefs, his ambitions and his views on racial problems in the United States. . . . The Canadian Music Publishers Association re-elected Wilfred Croombs its chairman for 1961; he's Toronto manager for Boosey and Hawkes. John Bird of Gordon V. Thompson was elected vice-chairman, while members of the executive committee are Bruno Apollonio of Ricordi, Freda Ferguson of Oxford University Press, F. C. Moogk of Waterloo Music Company Ltd. J. G. Stanford continues as secretary of

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This Week	Last Week	Title, Artist, Label and Number	Weeks on Chart
1	1	6. L. BLUES ... Elvis Presley ... RCA Victor LPM 2256	10
2	2	BUTTON-DOWN MIND OF BOB NEWHART ... Warner Bros. W 1379	34
3	3	BUTTON-DOWN MIND STRIKES BACK ... Bob Newhart ... Warner Bros. W 1393	8
4	5	STRING ALONG ... Kingston Trio ... Capitol T 1407	21
5	4	NICE AND EASY ... Frank Sinatra ... Capitol W 1417	20
6	6	SIXTY YEARS OF MUSIC AMERICA LOVES BEST, VOL. II ... Assorted Artists ... RCA Victor LM 6088	10
7	11	MUSIC FROM EXODUS, AND OTHER GREAT TUNES ... Mantovani ... London LL 3231	3
8	7	THIS IS BRENDA ... Brenda Lee ... Decca DL 4082	7
9	15	MERRY CHRISTMAS ... Bing Crosby/Andrews Sisters ... Decca DL 8128	3
10	35	MERRY CHRISTMAS ... Johnny Mathis ... Columbia CL 1095	3
11	—	LAST MONTH OF THE YEAR ... Kingston Trio ... Capitol T 1446	1
12	22	CHRISTMAS SING ALONG WITH MITCH ... Mitch Miller ... Columbia CL 1205	2
13	17	DARIN AT THE COPA ... Bobby Darin ... Atco 122	12
14	8	SAY IT WITH MUSIC ... Ray Conniff ... Columbia CL 1440	13
15	9	JOHNNY'S MOODS ... Johnny Mathis ... Columbia CL 1526	2
16	17	LAST DATE ... Lawrence Welk ... Dot DLP 3350	2
17	16	WEST SIDE STORY ... Original Cast ... Columbia OL 5230	9
18	36	BRENDA LEE ... Decca DL 4039	20
19	14	KNOCKERS UP ... Rusty Warren ... Jubilee JLP 2029	9
20	—	DATE WITH THE EVERLY BROTHERS ... Warner Bros. W 1395	3
21	—	WONDERLAND BY NIGHT ... Bert Kaempfert ... Decca DL 4081	1
22	10	EDGE OF SHELLEY BERMAN ... Verve MGV 15013	24
23	26	TWIST ... Chubby Checker ... Parkway P 7001	9
24	—	CHRISTMAS WITH CONNIFF ... Ray Conniff ... Columbia CL 1390	1
25	18	GENIUS HITS THE ROAD ... Ray Charles ... ABC-Paramount ABC 335	13
26	19	PAUL ANKA SINGS HIS BIG 15 ... ABC-Paramount LP 323	27
27	—	BELAFONTE RETURNS TO CARNEGIE HALL ... Harry Belafonte ... RCA Victor LOC 6007	1
28	12	WILD IS LOVE ... Nat King Cole ... Capitol WAK 1992	10
29	20	SOLD OUT ... Kingston Trio ... Capitol T 1352	37
30	25	REJOICE DEAR HEARTS ... Brother Dave Gardner ... RCA Victor LPM 2081	8
31	—	BEN-HUR ... Rome Symphony Orch./Savina ... M-G-M 1E1	36
32	38	CHRISTMAS MUSIC ... Mantovani ... London LL 915	2
33	—	ELVIS' CHRISTMAS ALBUM ... Elvis Presley ... RCA Victor LPM 1951	1
34	29	KICK OUT OWN SELF ... Brother Dave Gardner ... RCA Victor LPM 2239	19
35	—	ANKA AT THE COPA ... Paul Anka ... ABC Paramount ABC 383	2
36	33	IRMA LA DOUCE ... Original Cast ... Columbia OL 5560	5
37	34	UNSINKABLE MOLLY BROWN ... Original Cast/Tarnay Grimes, Capitol WAO 1509	2
38	—	LANZA SINGS CARUSO—CARUSO FAVORITES ... Mario Lanza/Enrico Caruso ... RCA Victor LM 2303	26
39	23	MEMORIES SING ALONG WITH MITCH ... Mitch Miller ... Columbia CL 1542	8
40	39	MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH OF TWANG ... Duane Eddy ... Jamie J 3014	2

ESSENTIAL INVENTORY (MONO ALBUMS) on the charts 40 weeks or more

This Week	Last Week	Title, Artist, Label and Number	Weeks on Chart
1	1	THE SOUND OF MUSIC, Original Cast, Columbia KOL 5450	55
2	2	INSIDE SHELLEY BERMAN, Verve MGV 15003	89
3	4	SIXTY YEARS OF MUSIC AMERICA LOVES BEST, VOL. I, Assorted Artists, RCA Victor LM 6074	58
4	3	ENCORES OF GOLDEN HITS, Platters, Mercury MG 20472	43
5	7	MY FAIR LADY, Original Cast, Columbia OL 5090	248
6	5	BELAFONTE AT CARNEGIE HALL, Harry Belafonte, RCA Victor LOC 6006	61
7	8	JOHNNY'S GREATEST HITS, Johnny Mathis, Columbia CL 1133	140
8	9	SING ALONG WITH MITCH, Mitch Miller, Columbia CL 1160	129
9	11	KINGSTON TRIO, Capitol T 996	81
10	10	SOUTH PACIFIC, Sound Track, RCA Victor LOC 1032	145
11	10	FROM THE HUNGRY I, Kingston Trio, Capitol T 1107	99
12	15	WOODY WOODBURY LOOKS AT LOVE AND LIFE, Stereodiffusion MR 1	43
13	12	ITALIAN FAVORITES, Connie Francis, M-G-M E 3791	48
14	14	HYMNS, Tennessee Ernie Ford, Capitol T 756	172
15	23	PARTY SING ALONG WITH MITCH, Mitch Miller, Columbia CL 1331	53
16	13	HEAVENLY, Johnny Mathis, Columbia CL 1351	68
17	9	SOUTH PACIFIC, Original Cast, Columbia OL 4180	343
18	16	THE MUSIC MAN, Original Cast, Capitol WAO 990	149
19	20	GIGI, Sound Track, M-G-M 3641 ST	131
20	—	OLDIES BUT GOODIES, Assorted Artists, Original Sound S-001	66
21	22	KING AND I, Sound Track, Capitol W 740	209
22	24	FAITHFULLY, Johnny Mathis, Columbia CL 1422	51
23	25	FILM ENCORES, VOL. I, Mantovani, London LL 1700	129
24	—	COME DANCE WITH ME, Frank Sinatra, Capitol T 1069	85
25	19	OKLAHOMA! Sound Track, Capitol SAO 595	218

BEST SELLING STEREOPHONIC LP'S

STEREO ACTION ALBUMS — on the charts 39 weeks or less

This Week	Last Week	Title, Artist, Label and Number	Weeks on Chart
1	2	NICE AND EASY ... Frank Sinatra ... Capitol SW 1417	19
2	5	6. L. BLUES ... Elvis Presley ... RCA Victor LSP 2256	7
3	4	BONGOS ... Los Admiradores ... Command RS 809	19
4	1	STRING ALONG ... Kingston Trio ... Capitol ST 1407	20
5	12	SENTIMENTAL SING ALONG WITH MITCH ... Mitch Miller ... Columbia CS 8251	24
6	11	CHRISTMAS SING ALONG WITH MITCH ... Mitch Miller ... Columbia CS 8027	3
7	9	PROVOCATIVE PERCUSSION, VOL. II ... Command All Stars ... Command SD 810	16
8	13	CHRISTMAS MUSIC ... Mantovani ... London PS 142	3
9	6	PERSUASIVE PERCUSSION, VOL. II ... Terry Snyder and the All Stars ... Command RS 808 SD	20
10	7	SAY IT WITH MUSIC ... Ray Conniff ... Columbia CS 8282	9
11	15	LOOK FOR A STAR ... Billy Vaughn Orch. ... Dot DLP 25322	3
12	22	MUSIC FROM EXODUS, AND OTHER GREAT THEMES ... Mantovani ... London PS 224	2
13	3	BONGOS, FLUTES, AND GUITARS ... Los Admiradores ... Command RS 812	11
14	21	JEALOUSY ... Percy Faith ... Columbia CS 8292	6
15	—	CHRISTMAS WITH CONNIFF ... Ray Conniff ... Columbia CS 8185	1
16	10	JOHNNY'S MOODS ... Johnny Mathis ... Columbia CS 8526	18
17	16	LAST DATE ... Lawrence Welk ... Dot DLP 25350	3
18	18	TCHAIKOVSKY: 1812 OVERTURE ... Minneapolis Symphony Orch. (Dorati), Mercury SR 90054	28
19	24	THEME FROM "THE SUNDOWNERS" ... Billy Vaughn ... Dot DLP 25349	3
20	8	BELAFONTE RETURNS TO CARNEGIE HALL ... Harry Belafonte ... RCA Victor LSO 6007	2
21	19	CAN CAN ... Sound Track ... Capitol SW 1321	24
22	25	WEST SIDE STORY ... Original Cast ... Columbia OS 2001	7
23	—	TEMPTATION ... Roger Williams ... Kapp KS 3217	2
24	20	BRAHMS CONCERTO ... Sviatoslav Richter; Chicago Symphony Orch., Leinsdorf ... RCA Victor LSC 2466	4
25	23	MACK THE KNIFE—ELLA IN BERLIN ... Ella Fitzgerald ... Verve MGVS 6165	6
26	27	WHITE SATIN ... George Shearing ... Capitol ST 1334	11
27	—	SEASON'S GREETINGS FROM PERRY COMO ... Perry Como ... RCA Victor LSP 2466	1
28	—	STAR CAROL ... Tennessee Ernie Ford/Orch. and Chorus ... Capitol ST 1071	1
29	17	WILD IS LOVE ... Nat King Cole ... Capitol SWAK 1992	10
30	28	BYE BYE BIRDIE ... Original Cast ... Columbia KOS 2025	8

ESSENTIAL INVENTORY (STEREO ALBUMS) on the charts 30 weeks or more

This Week	Last Week	Title, Artist, Label and Number	Weeks on Chart
1	1	PERSUASIVE PERCUSSION, VOL. I, Terry Snyder and the All Stars, Command S 800	50
2	2	SOUND OF MUSIC, Original Cast, Columbia KOS 2020	52
3	3	SOUTH PACIFIC, Sound Track, RCA Victor LSO 1032	85
4	4	PROVOCATIVE PERCUSSION, VOL. I, Command All Stars, SD 806	50
5	7	BEN-HUR, Roma Symphony Orch./Savina, M-G-M 1E1	33
6	6	FILM ENCORES, VOL. I, Mantovani, London PS 124	73
7	11	MUSIC MAN, Original Cast, Capitol SWAO 990	67
8	5	MY FAIR LADY, Original Cast, Columbia OS 2015	85
9	12	COME DANCE WITH ME, Frank Sinatra, Capitol SW 1069	81
10	14	HERE WE GO AGAIN, Kingston Trio, Capitol ST 1258	60
11	—	PARTY SING ALONG WITH MITCH, M. Miller, Columbia CS 8183	30
12	9	BODGERS: VICTORY AT SEA, VOL. II, RCA Victor Symphony Orch. (Bennett), RCA Victor LSC 2226	62
13	20	PETE FOUNTAIN'S NEW ORLEANS, Coral CRL 7-57282	33
14	—	OKLAHOMA! Sound Track, Capitol SWAO 595	63
15	13	GEMS FOREVER, Mantovani, London PS 106	53
16	15	THEME FROM A SUMMER PLACE, Billy Vaughn, Dot DLP 25276	36
17	16	KING AND I, Sound Track, Capitol SW 740	72
18	18	SOLD OUT, Kingston Trio, Capitol ST 1352	36
19	8	FLOWER DRUM SONG, Original Cast, Columbia OS 2009	41
20	19	MORE JOHNNY'S GREATEST HITS, Johnny Mathis, Columbia CS 8150	42

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BEST SELLING CLASSICAL ALBUMS

MONOPHONIC CLASSICAL ALBUMS

1. SIXTY YEARS OF SONG HITS, VOL. 2....Assorled Artists, RCA Victor LM 6088
2. TCHAIKOVSKY: PIANO CONCERTO NO. 1
   Van Cliburn, Orchestra directed by Kiril Kondrashin, RCA Victor LM 2252
3. RODGERS: VICTORY AT SEA, VOL. 1
   RCA Victor Symphony Orchestra (Bennett), RCA Victor LM 1779
4. TCHAIKOVSKY: 1812 OVERTURE; CAPRICCIO ITALIEN
   Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra (Dorati), Mercury MG 50054
5. BRAHMS: SECOND PIANO CONCERTO...Sviatoslav Richter, RCA Victor LM 2466
6. LANZA SINGS CARUSO—Caruso Favorites
   Mario Lanza-Enrico Caruso, RCA Victor LM 2393
7. HANDEL: THE MESSIAH
   Addison, Oberlin, Lloyd, Warfield, Westminister Chorus, Williamson (director), Philadelphia Symphony Ork. of New York, L. Bernstein, Columbia M2L 263
8. GROFE: GRAND CANYON SUITE.....Morlon Gould, RCA Victor LM 2433
9. THE LORD'S PRAYER..The Mormon Tabernacle Choir (Condie), Columbia ML 5386
10. SIXTY YEARS OF SONG HITS, VOL. 1....Assorled Artists, RCA Victor LM 6074

STEREOPHONIC CLASSICAL ALBUMS

1. TCHAIKOVSKY: 1812 OVERTURE; CAPRICCIO ITALIEN
   Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra (Dorati), Mercury SR 90054
2. TCHAIKOVSKY: PIANO CONCERTO NO. 1
   Van Cliburn, Orchestra directed by Kiril Kondrashin, RCA Victor LSC 2252
3. BRAHMS: SECOND PIANO CONCERTO....Sviatoslav Richter, RCA Victor LSC 2466
4. RODGERS: VICTORY AT SEA, VOL. 1
   RCA Victor Symphony Orchestra (Bennett), RCA Victor LSC 2335
5. HANDEL: THE MESSIAH
   Mormon Tabernacle Choir (Condie), Philadelphia Ork. (Ormandy), Columbia MS 6058
6. GROFE: GRAND CANYON SUITE.....Morlon Gould, RCA Victor LSC 2433
7. LANZA SINGS CARUSO—Caruso Favorites
   Mario Lanza-Enrico Caruso, RCA Victor LSC 2393
8. THE LORD'S PRAYER
   The Mormon Tabernacle Choir (Condie), Columbia MS 6068
9. SCHUMANN: CONCERTO IN A MINOR.....Van Cliburn, RCA Victor LSC 2455
10. RODGERS: VICTORY AT SEA, VOL. 2
    RCA Victor Symphony Orchestra (Bennett), RCA Victor LSC 2226

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   101 Strings...Stereo Fidelity 2 RS
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   101 Strings Stereo Fidelity SF 9900
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   101 Strings, Stereo Fidelity SF 11500
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   101 Strings Stereo Fidelity SF 7000
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   101 Strings Stereo Fidelity SF 6700
8. 101 Strings Play the Blues
   .....Stereo Fidelity SF 5800
9. Symphony for Lovers
   101 Strings Stereo Fidelity SF 4500
10. East of Suez
    101 Strings, Stereo Fidelity SF 11200

(Monophonic)

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   101 Strings.....Somerset P 6600
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   Frank Chacksfield, Richmond M 20078
3. Soul of Spain, Vol. 2
   101 Strings.....Somerset P 9900
4. 101 Years of Familiar Songs
   101 Strings.....Somerset 2 RS
5. 101 Strings Play the Blues
   .....Somerset P 5800
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   Mario Lanza . RCA Camden CAL 450
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8. Silver Screen
   101 Strings.....Somerset P 7000
9. Hawaii in Hi-Fi
   Lee Addon Orchestra.....
   .....RCA Camden CAL 510
10. Concerto Under the Stars
    101 Strings.....Somerset P 6700

Reviews of THIS WEEK'S LP'S

the pick of the new releases:

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Pop

MEMORIES ARE MADE OF THIS
Ray Conniff. Columbia CS 8374. (Stereo & Monaural)—Conniff wraps up 12 tunes (which were hits over the past 10 years) in his usual tasteful, swingy way, utilizing a chorus as a section of the ork, singing syllables rather than words. A worthy addition to his string of best-selling LP's. Tunes include "Only You," "Around the World."

THE BROTHERS FOUR
Columbia CS 8378. (Stereo & Monaural)—The Brothers Four have become popular college concert favorites and this package idea is attuned to that theme. An effective cover shows color photos of each of the lads, identifying them by name. Inside, there's a fine selection of material including a recent single, "The Green Leaves of Summer." Other strongly folk-oriented items are "I Am a Roving Gambler," "St. James Infirmary," "Beautiful Brown Eyes." Splendid performances throughout.

CIRCULATE
Nell Sedaka. RCA Victor LPM 2317—Sedaka, who has a big following in the teen set, should pull adult fans with this collection of pretty oldies and standards. His expressive readings are spotlighted on "Smile," "All the Way," "Bess You Is My Woman," etc. Solid backing by arranger-conductor Stan Applebaum.

Classical

VIVALDI: THE SEASONS
Philadelphia Orchestra (Ormandy). Columbia MS 6195. (Stereo & Monaural)—This familiar music is made to order for the marvelous string section of the Philadelphia Orchestra, which delivers a lively, zestful performance. Concertmaster Anshel Brusilow handles the solo violin passages with assurance and definess. In all, this is an outstanding performance of a perennial favorite which should join other Ormandy-Philadelphia releases as a steady-selling piece of classical merchandise.

CHOPIN: FOUR BALLADES; LISZT: SIX CHANTS POLONAISE
Ruth Slenczynska. Piano. Decca DL 710029. (Stereo & Monaural)—This disk contains excellent performances of brilliant pianistic material. The Chopin Ballades include "No. 1 in G Minor," "No. 2 in F Major," and the six Liszt pieces include "Souhait d'une Jeune Fille," "Printemps," etc. Ruth Slenszymska's playing is in the great tradition, impeccable in technique, and containing power and subtlety.

PROKOFIEV: PETER AND THE WOLF
Leonard Bernstein, Narrator.
TCHAIKOVSKY: NUTCRACKER SUITE
New York Philharmonic-Leonard Bernstein. Columbia MS 6193. (Stereo & Monaural)—Here is easily one of the most recorded of all works in the classical repertoire. It's one of at least four on this label, yet the magic Bernstein story-telling touch, familiar to many TV viewers, makes this a winning effort. He is extremely telling in the role of the narrator of the familiar kiddie story and kids—of all ages—will enjoy the performance. The selection of the Tchaikovsky work on side 2 is an admirable choice for the children's field, too. Altogether delightful packaging.

BRUCH: CONCERTO NO. 1; MOZART: CONCERTO NO. 3
Jaime Laredo, Violinist; National Symphony Orchestra (Mitchell). RCA Victor LM 2472. (Stereo & Monaural)—This is the second recording by 19-year-old Jaime Laredo, the Bolivian violinist who won the Queen Elizabeth competition in Brussels two years ago. The recording combines two familiar concertos, the Bruch No. 1 and the Mozart No. 3 for violin. Laredo plays them both in lovely fashion, stressing his warm tone, with fine accompaniment from the National Symphony Orchestra under Howard Mitchell. The combination of the two concertos on one record plus the name value of Laredo should help this disk grab a lot of sales.

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ALBUM COVERS OF THE WEEK

HIGHLIGHTS FROM MADAME BUTTERFLY—De Los Angeles, Bjoerling, Panerai, Serafin, Di Palma, Capitol SO-7231. Lovely painting in full color on a grey background. Prime display item.

MOZART: CONCERTO NO. 24 — Artur Rubinstein, RCA Victor LM-2441. Fine line drawing of the artist in black on a Wedgewood blue background. Classy item for classical counters.

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PROKOFIEF: CONCERTO NO. 3; MAC DOWELL: CONCERTO NO. 2

Van Cliburn; Chicago Symphony Orchestra (Hendl). RCA Victor LM 2507. (Stereo & Monaural)—Here's an album that ought to keep dealers happy for a long time. It features Van Cliburn in mighty attractive performances of two well-known concertos, with solid accompaniment from the Chicago Symphony Orchestra under Walter Hendl. The recording is excellent. Eye-catching cover and the Cliburn name should help this album turn into a sock seller.

MOZART: PIANO CONCERTO NO. 24, K. 491; RONDO IN A MINOR, K. 511

Artur Rubinstein (piano); Symphony Orchestra (Krips). RCA Victor LM 2461. (Stereo & Monaural)—Rubinstein and Krips turned out memorable performances of the five Beethoven piano concertos. Now they are partnered on Mozart's brooding and bauntingly beautiful Piano Concerto No. 24, filled out on the same disk by the A Minor Rondo, which is in much the same mood. Altho Rubinstein has never specialized in Mozart's keyboard works (this one previous Mozart concerto is long out of the catalog), this should be one of the great pianist's very successful disks, based on a deeply moving and sensitive performance.

PUCCINI: MADAME BUTTERFLY (EXCERPTS)

Vicgoria de los Angeles, Jussi Bjoerling, Mario Sarink Orchestra & Chorus of Rome Opera House (Santini). Capitol SG-7233. (Stereo & Monaural)—The combination of the late Jussi Bjoerling's tenor and the soprano of Victoria de los Angeles will make this one-disk selection of highlights from "Madame Butterfly" an important addition to the operatic inventory. Both are in fine voice, and this becomes a fitting memorial to Bjoerling's art. Opera fans will certainly be interested in this one.

THE BELOVED BJOERLING, VOL. 1; OPERA ARIAS 1936-1948

Jussi Bjoerling: Stockholm Concert Association Orchestra (Bervillius). Capitol G 7239. (Stereo & Monaural)—This collection of opera arias by the late tenor shows off Bjoerling at the height of his powers. The recordings were made from 1936 through 1948, and they feature the singer in selections from "Carmen," "Manon," "La Boheme," "Rigoletto" and "I Pagliacci." The sound is not up to that of current recordings, but the great lyrical instrument that was Bjoerling's voice is heard again in all its beauty, and that overcomes matters of recording quality. An album with potent appeal to opera fans.

Jazz

BRUBECK AND RUSHING

The Dave Brubeck Quartet. Columbia CL 1553—This is surely a most intriguing jazz package. Brubeck provides a background for the great, gravel-voiced blues artist, who sings mostly ballads with a bluesy touch here. It's a swinging affair, with spontaneity and zest, and Brubeck is to be commended for being able to provide such a proper showcase for the vocalist.

Comedy

THE HUMOROUS WORLD OF JUSTIN WILSON

Ember LP 801—Justin Wilson is a comic from Louisiana who tells his gently humorous and rather pleasantly old-fashioned stories in a Cajun dialect. The comedy is warm and friendly-like, untouched by Broadwayese, and Wilson's style helps matters along in a rather ambling manner. An album that could grab sales through the Southern and Southwestern states, and even interest Northern big city comedy fans.

Children's

A TREASURY OF GREAT STORIES

Larry Storch (Narrator). Colpix 206—Larry Storch is usually associated with more of a comedy approach but he proves himself here as a highly effective story teller for kids. He narrates four great stories here and takes parts in dramatic segs as well. Selected and prepared by the editors of Children's Digest Magazine, the stories include "Treasure Island," "Pinocchio," "Robinson Crusoe" and "Tom Sawyer." A most effective set, which will hold kiddies' attention time and again.

Specialty

BLITZKRIEG

Walter Cronkite. Columbia ML 5511—This dramatic countdown of events leading to and including the early days of World War II (1933-1940) is a fine addition to the annals of historical wax. The voices of Hitler, Roosevelt, Churchill, Goering, King George, Masaryk, Chamberlain and Petofski are heard, plus the harrowing sounds of Blitzkrieg. Excellent narration by Walter Cronkite. "Blitzkrieg" was edited and produced by Dan Bloom from a CBS Radio News show.

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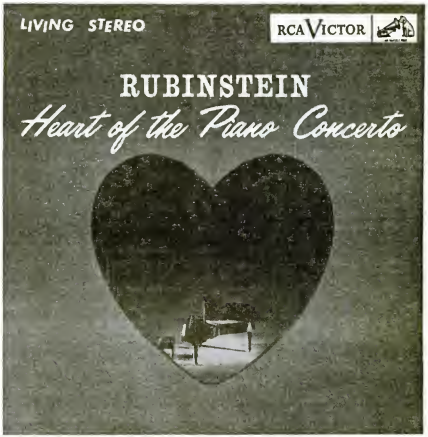

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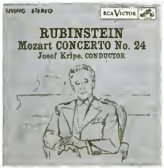

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4406—WINGS OF A DOVE ..... Ferlin Husky
Billboard "Hot 100" ..... #35
Cash Box "Top 100" ..... #60
Music Vendor "Top 100" ..... #38
Billboard "Hot C&W Sides" ..... # 1
Cash Box "Top 50 C&W" ..... # 1
Music Vendor "Top 50 C&W" ..... # 1

4492—OH, HOW I MISS YOU TONIGHT ..... Jeanne Black
Billboard "Hot 100" ..... #99
Cash Box "Top 100" ..... #90
Music Vendor "Top 100" ..... #76

4412—EXCUSE ME ..... Buck Owens
Billboard "Hot C&W Sides" ..... # 3
Cash Box "Top 50 C&W" ..... # 4
Music Vendor "Top 50 C&W" ..... # 6

4463—WORLD SO FULL OF LOVE ..... Faron Young
Cash Box "Top 50 C&W" ..... #13
Music Vendor "Top 50 C&W" ..... #13

4463—FORGET THE PAST ..... Faron Young
Cash Box "Top 50 C&W" ..... #25
Billboard "Hot C&W Sides" ..... #25
Music Vendor "Top 50 C&W" ..... #23

4454—IT'S GOT TO BE A HABIT ..... Hank Thompson
Cash Box "Top 50 C&W" ..... #32
Music Vendor "Top 50 C&W" ..... #40

4469—HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY ..... Wanda Jackson
KELP El Paso "Fabulous 40" ..... # 7

PICKED TO BE HITS

ACTUAL SELECTIONS BY THE INDUSTRY'S LEADING TRADES

4499—ENORMITY IN MOTION ..... Simon Crum
Billboard "Spotlight Winner"—"... makes off the recent Johnny Tillotson hit and should get the big play."
Cash Box "Bullseye"—"Has the stuff that two-market hits are made of."

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4495—BLACK CAT ..... Tommy Collins
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4491—A YEAR AND A DAY ..... Judy Scott
Music Vendor "Hit Pick"—"Judy's heartful reading of a pretty rock-a-ballad romantic message, 'Year and a Day.'"

4492—OH, HOW I MISS YOU TONIGHT ..... Jeanne Black
WIP Phila. "Fabulous 61"—Pick Hit of the Week.

4406—WINGS OF A DOVE ..... Ferlin Husky
KDEO San Diego "Fabulous Forty"—The Pick Hit of the Week.

BRAND NEW RELEASES

OUT THIS WEEK AND ON THEIR WAY TO YOU NOW!

4496—FOOLIN' AROUND ..... Buck Owens
HIGH AS THE MOUNTAINS
Strong from the standpoint of both material and performance, these sides should put Buck on top of the national C&W listings.

4497—I AIN'T DOWN YET ..... Jonah Jones Quartet
BLUE CHAMPAGNE
Jonah's up-tempo treatment of one of the biggest hits from the smash musical "The Unsinkable Molly Brown" will catch the early ear of both pop and good music stations.

4498—BUCKET OF TEARS ..... Peggy Lee
I LOVE BEING HERE WITH YOU
Backed by the Bill Holman ork, Peggy delivers an exciting jazz rendition of this beautiful tune. Both sides have a wide range of appeal and should enjoy great exposure.

Capitol RECORDS

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Spoken Word

BRENDAN BEHAN SINGS IRISH FOLK SONGS AND BALLADS
Brendan Behan. Spoken Arts 760—One of the most refreshingly outspoken personages in the public eye, Irish author Brendan Behan's personality comes thru vividly from this disk. He sings (unaccompanied) songs mostly from his current Broadway play, "The Hostage." Between songs, he ad libs uninhibitedly of himself, his countrymen and the world in a humorous but irreverent manner devoid of pretense and sham. Some might find him shocking, but most will enjoy his witty rambling.

POP LP's
★★★★ STRONG SALES POTENTIAL

★★★★ CHET ATKINS' WORKSHOP
RCA Victor LPM 2233—Atkins, alone in his workshop except for a friendly rhythm group behind him, turns in some highly listenable guitar solos on an admirable selection of tunes. These include the old British song, "Lambeth Walk," the familiar "Theme From a Summer Place," "In a Little Spanish Town," "Sleep" and others. Terrific electric guitar work which will serve nicely as background or dance material.

★★★★ ON THE SWINGIN' SIDE
Vic Damone. Columbia CL 1873—Damone lends his superior vocal talents to a flock of great standards—including his original vocal hit—blended prone in favor of a swinging beat. It's a highly effective format of pace for this vocalist and fine wax for focks. Altby backed by Jack Marshall. Damone sings "Love Walks In," "I Cried for You," "It's a Wonderful World," and others.

★★★★ TONIGHT — IN PERSON
The Limeliters. RCA Victor LPM 2372—This first RCA LP by the Limeliters is a moving and hilarious experience. Recorded live at the Ash Grove in Hollywood, the folk-ish trio delivers a powerhouse show that should score with today's record buyer. As usual, the group's Lee Gottlieb, Alex Hassilev, and Glenn Yarbrough, the material, much of which is original, includes "Rumania, Rumania," "The Monks of St. Bernard," and "Hey Li Lee Li Lee."

★★★★ ROSIE SOLVES THE SWINGIN' RIDDLE
Rosemary Clooney. RCA Victor LPM 2326—The swingin' fiddles of Nelson Riddle provide just that distinctive touch that might make this a big one for Miss Clooney. The punching brass is very much in evidence and there are short solo slots for tenor sax and trumpet. The tunes are solid standards sung with a swingy lilt. Representative of this fine package are "Cabin in the Sky," "Angry," "You Took Advantage of Me," "Limehouse Blues."

★★★★ I BELIEVE
Mahalia Jackson. Columbia CS 8349. (Stereo & Monaural) — Mahalia Jackson turns in her usual sincere, meaningful performances here on a group of fairly familiar spirituals and inspirational tunes. The backing are a bit fresher than Mahalia mostly, but in spite of them she sings about God in her own intensely dramatic and thrilling manner. The songs include "I Believe," "Trouble," "I See God," and "Holding My Saviour's Hand." An album that will appeal to many of the great gospel singer's fans, perhaps mainly to her pop admirers.

★★★★ CRAZY IN THE HEART
Bob Crewe. Warwick 2034. (Stereo & Monaural)—Crewe sings a solid group of standards in his free and easy style. Most of the tracks are on the swingy side with a very definite assist going to arranger Ralph Burns. The album takes its title from a well-sung Alec Wilder tune and there are others that are individually interesting. "Winter Boy" stands out as a very fine singles possibility.

POP LP's
★★★ MODERATE SALES POTENTIAL

★★★ NIGHT MOOD
Toni Harper. RCA Victor LPM 2253. (Stereo & Monaural)—Toni Harper's approach to a series of low-key ballads is a cool one, with more than a touch of jazz feeling. If the result sometimes makes the listener feel more like snapping his fingers than brooding, it's a tribute to the rhythm in Miss Harper's delivery, and to the beat in the Marty Paich arrangements and backing. The singer has some fine tracks in "In the Still of the Night," "My Baby," "Paradise" and "You and the Night and the Music."

CLASSICAL LP's
★★★★ STRONG SALES POTENTIAL

★★★★ CHOPIN: CONCERTO NO. 1; MENDELSSOHN: CAPRICCIO BRILLANT
Gary Graffman. Pianist Boston Symphony Orchestra (Munch). RCA Victor LM 2468. (Stereo & Monaural)—An excellent performance of the Piano Concerto No. 1. Graffman handles himself confidently here, and the concerto is played in a proper romantic and melancholy style. For an added fillip, the flip side of the disk contains the "Capriccio Brillant," of the young Mendelssohn, played capably by Graffman. New collectors, as well as the many fans of the pianist, will be interested in this first-rate performance.

★★★★ DVORAK: CELLO CONCERTO
Gregor Piatigorsky. Boston Symphony Orchestra (Munch). RCA Victor LM 2490. (Stereo & Monaural)—This is the second LP by Gregor Piatigorsky performing this work, but his previous disk (for Columbia) has been deleted for some time. This time the modern sound, and his extraordinary tone and evident sincerity make this a top-grade rendition. Altho competition is very keen on this most felicitous and popular of 'cello works, this will be a strong contender for sales honors.

★★★★ MAHLER: KINDERTOTENLIEDER. FOUR SONGS
New York Philharmonic (Bernstein). Columbia MS 6197. (Stereo & Monaural)—A splendid program of Mahler lieder, issued as part of Columbia's observance of the Mahler year. The vocal star of the production is formed Jennie Tourel, borrowed for this special occasion from Decca Gold Label Records. The diva's singing is touching and delicate and the orchestra is in wonderful form. Much name value here and it is all abetted by a fetching cover painting.

★★★★ ZINO FRANCESCATTI PERFORMS WILLIAM WALTON'S CONCERTO FOR VIOLIN AND ORCHESTRA WITH:
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New York Philharmonic (Mitropoulos). Columbia MS 6201. (Stereo & Monaural)—The phrase, "a lot for the money," is an overworked one; but if it ever had validity it is in regard to this package. One side contains the contemporary work by Walton, with the Philadelphia honored by Ormandy.

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The Honor Roll of Hits comprises the nation's top tunes according to record sales and disk jockey performances as determined by The Billboard's weekly nationwide surveys.

This Week	Last Week	Tune	Composer-Publisher	Weeks on Chart
1	1	**WONDERLAND BY NIGHT**	By Kaempfert—Published by Roosevelt (BMI)	6
2	2	**ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT**	By Roy Turk-Lou Handman—Published by Bourne-Conwesti (ASCAP)	7
3	10	**LAST DATE... By Floyd Cramer—Published by Acuff-Rose (BMI)** **MY LAST DATE (WITH YOU)**	By Skeeter Davis, Boudleaux Bryant, Floyd Cramer—Published by Acuff-Rose (BMI)	10
4	4	**EXODUS**	By Gold—Published by Chappell (ASCAP)	5
5	5	**A THOUSAND STARS**	By Pearson—Published by Bryden (BMI)	9
6	6	**NORTH TO ALASKA**	By Phillips—Published by Robbins (ASCAP)	10
7	8	**MANY TEARS AGO**	By Scott—Published by Roosevelt (BMI)	7
8	9	**YOU'RE SIXTEEN**	By Sherman-Sherman—Published by Blue Grass (BMI)	6
9	7	**SAILOR (YOUR HOME IS IN THE SEA)**	By Schaefeberger-Bosch—Published by Garland Music (ASCAP)	7
10	15	**ANGEL BABY**	By Rose Hamlin—Published by Figure (BMI)	3
11	10	**HE WILL BREAK YOUR HEART**	By Butler, Mayfield and Carter—Published by Conrad (BMI)	8
12	12	**POETRY IN MOTION**	By Kaufman & Anthony—Published by Meridian (BMI)	11
13	11	**LONELY TEENAGER**	By Tepper-DePaoli-Farace—Published by Schwartz (ASCAP)	5
14	24	**(WILL YOU LOVE ME) TOMORROW**	By Carol King-Jerry Goffin—Published by Aldon (BMI)	3
15	14	**CORINNA, CORINNA**	By Parish-Chapman-Williams—Published by Mills (ASCAP)	3
16	23	**RUBBER BALL**	By A. Schroeder-A. Orlowski—Published by Arch (ASCAP)	4
17	—	**CALCUTTA**	By Gaze-Bradnick—Published by Princess-Symphony House (ASCAP)	1
18	13	**NEW ORLEANS**	By Golde-Royster—Published by Pepe (BMI)	9
19	17	**PERFIDIA**	By Domenico-M. Leeds—Published by Peer (BMI)	7
20	21	**ROCKIN' AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE**	By Johnny Marks—Published by St. Nicholas (ASCAP)	3
21	25	**SWAY**	By Gimbel-Bazi—Published by Peer (BMI)	7
22	18	**MY GIRL JOSEPHINE**	By Dominic Bartholomew—Published by Travis (BMI)	5
23	22	**THEME FROM THE APARTMENT**	By Charles Williams—Published by Mills (ASCAP)	18
24	—	**WINGS OF A DOVE**	By Bob Ferguson—Published by B Cos Music (BMI)	1
25	19	**STAY**	By Maurice Williams—Published by Windsong (BMI)	12
26	27	**BLUE TANGO**	By Leroy Anderson—Published by Mills (ASCAP)	4
27	—	**BABY, OH BABY**	By Johnson-Bookright-Gibson—Published by Figure Music (BMI)	1
28	—	**SHOP AROUND**	By Gordy-Robinson—Published by Jobbet (BMI)	1
29	20	**WHITE CHRISTMAS**	By Irving Berlin—Published by Berlin (ASCAP)	3
30	26	**ALONE AT LAST**	By Lehman—Published by Pearl (BMI)	10

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RECORDING AVAILABLE

(Best Selling Record Listed in Bold Face)

1. **WONDERLAND BY NIGHT — Anita Bryant, Carlton 537; Bert Kaempfert, Dec 31141; Louis Prima, Dot 16151.**
2. **ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT — Al Jolson, Dec 27042; Jaye P. Morgan, M-G-M 12752; Elvis Presley, Vic 7818.**
3. **LAST DATE—Floyd Cramer, Vic 7775. Skeeter Davis, Vic 7835; Joni James, M-G-M 12933; Lawrence Welk, Dot 16145.**
4. **EXODUS — Ferrante and Teicher, United Artists 274; Montavani, London 19926; Medallion Strings, Medallion 602.**
5. **A THOUSAND STARS — Kathy Young and the Innocents, Indigo 108.**
6. **NORTH TO ALASKA — Johnny Horton, Columbia 41788.**
7. **MANY TEARS AGO — Connie Francis, M-G-M 12964.**
8. **YOU'RE SIXTEEN—Johnny Burnette, Liberty 55285.**
9. **SAILOR (YOUR HOME IS IN THE SEA)—Lolita, Kapp 345.**
10. **ANGEL BABY — Rosie and the Originals, Highland 500.**
11. **HE WILL BREAK YOUR HEART —Jerry Butler, Vee Jay 354.**
12. **POETRY IN MOTION — Lloyd Price, Score 42215; Johnny Tillotson, Cadence 1384.**
13. **LONELY TEENAGER — Dion, Laurie 3076.**
14. **(WILL YOU LOVE ME) TOMORROW—Shirelles, Scepter 1214.**
15. **CORRINA, CORRINA—Ray Peterson, Dunes 1501.**
16. **RUBBER BALL — Bobby Vee, Liberty 55287.**
17. **CALCUTTA—Lawrence Welk, Dot 16161.**
18. **NEW ORLEANS—Big Boy Myles, Ace 605; U. S. Bonds, Legrand 819.**
19. **PERFIDIA—Fine Arts/Al Casey, Dec 27067; Ahmad Jamal, Okeh 6849; Metropolitan Jazz Quartet, M-G-M 30111; Glen Miller Orkh/ Modernaires, Vic 6035; Andy Rose, Coral 62422; Rene Touzet, Gene Norman Presents 152; Vendovs, Melba 28.**
20. **ROCKIN' AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE — Brenda Lee, Dec 30776.**
21. **SWAY—Bobby Rydell, Cameo 152.**
22. **MY GIRL JOSEPHINE — Fats Domino, Imperial 5784.**
23. **THEME FROM THE APARTMENT —Ferrante and Teicher, United Artists 231; Jack Lemmon, Epic 9399.**
24. **WINGS OF A DOVE — Ferlin Husky, Capitol 4486; Kitty White, Dot 16157.**
25. **STAY — Little Joe and Thrillers, Okeh 7136; Maurice Williams and Zodiacs, Herald 581; Marvin Winters, Stephany 1005.**
26. **BLUE TANGO—Bill Black Combo, Hi 2027; Lester Lanin, Epic 9426.**
27. **BABY, OH BABY—Shells, Johnson 104.**
28. **SHOP AROUND—Miracles, Tamla 5403.**
29. **WHITE CHRISTMAS—Vic Bartell, Atlantic 2083; Bing Crosby, Dec 30049; Guy Lombardo, Dec 23738; Mullican, Cardinal 1024; Rawson, Savoy 1540; Cmdr. Shen Schwarz Boys' Choir, Cadence 137; Ethel Smith, Dec 24142; Kate Smith, M-G-M 10096; Sinatra, Liberty 55292; Ray Stevens, National Recording Corp. 063; Sister Rosetta Tharpe, Dec 40119; Ernest Tubb, Dec 46186; Beto Villa, Falcon 521; Fred Warring, Dec 24500; Hugo Winterhalter, Vic 6075.**
30. **ALONE AT LAST—Jackie Wilson, Brunswick 55175.**

LEGIT REVIEW

'Do Re Mi' a Fast & Funny Hit

Have no doubt that "Do Re Mi" is a smash. It's fast, loud, mostly very funny, and has been blessed with a bumper crop of potential hit tunes from the pen of Jule Styne, with adroit lyrics by Betty Comden and Adolph Green. Phil Silvers heads a sterling cast with a fine comedy partner in Nancy Walker. John Reardon and Nancy Dussault, who provide the love interest, have voices far beyond the normal quality heard in a Broadway musical. Garson Kanin has directed his own book for speed and sock. Add it all together and it's a bonanza at the box office.

The story is worth a little comment, too. It's perhaps the weakest link but is used merely as a springboard for the music, laughs and action and is not meant to be taken seriously. Briefly, Silvers plays a hard-luck guy who once was on the fringes of a mob in the slot machine days of yore. Learning that juke boxes have become big business, he invejles three reformed hoods into joining him in buying 200 boxes. When the investment is about to go down the drain because strong-arm methods no longer work, they decide they have to enter the record business to supply the juke boxes with their own disks. After some hilarious auditions, Silvers provides the required star in a beatnik coffee-house waitress, played by Nancy Dussault, who soon falls for a rival juke box mogul. When Silvers' mob threatens to get rough with him, a Congressional hearing expotes them all and Silvers is the hero, who has to start all over.

While none of this is especially flattering to the record or juke box industries, neither is it especially denigrating. It can be regarded, at worst, as a not particularly educated spoof. But it will doubtless wind up doing a hefty favor for both the juke box and disk industries by birthing a batch of potent records that should spell profits for all concerned.

Already, the indications are that "Do Re Mi" may produce the biggest crop of records of any musical in some seasons. RCA Victor has the original cast album, but Time, Verve and Design are also bringing out LP's with all or most of the score. Additionally, tracks from the show are being cut for LP's by Doris Day for Columbia, Roberta Sherwood for Decca and Terry Snyder for UA, all three having selected the top ballad from this show (and a sure-fire smash), "Make Someone Happy!"

On the singles front, the same tune is being cut by Perry Como for RCA Victor and Jack Haskell for Decca. But there are other fine items in the score, such as the haunting "Cry Like the Wind," the mythical hit record of the show as sung by Miss Russell, who performed in a variety of roles last season at the New York City Center Opera. It is being cut on disks by the Marty Gold ork on Victor, and by Beverly Wright on a Time single. There's a zany novelty, "What's New at the Zoo," a semi-nonsense item that could be done for the kiddie market. Golden Records is treating it that way, but Sammy Kaye is etching it for the adults on a Decca single.

Another top tune is "All You Need Is a Quarter," the theme song of the teen-age chorus in the show, which pours the silver into the hoccus. This should become a national favorite with the for real counterparts of the stage cast, since it boasts a good beat and catchy tune. Jeff Barry is cutting it for Victor, and the Jay Brothers for Strand. Another attractive ballad with possibilities is "Asking for You," which the Ames Brothers are cutting for Victor.

Still without definite disk deals but nevertheless containing built-in appeal are "It's Legitimate," a novelty sung by Silvers and his wiggs as a paean to the juke box industry, and "Don't Be Ashamed of a Tuxedo," a barbershop styled novelty; "Adventure" is a song that may not sell disks but enabled Miss Walker to stop the show absolutely cold, as she scintillated and cavorted as never before.

This may not be a stylish offering in the fashion of "Camelot," nor a wifty revue like a "New Faces," but it is bo'fola show business of a basic kind, the kind that pays off the investors fast. Watch the picture rights go soon. Sam Chase.

NIGHT CLUB REVIEW

Strong, Jumping Jazz in Village

The unique coupling of high showmanship and propulsive jazz has been on view nightly at the Village Vanguard in Greenwich Village. Responsible for the entertaining event is Columbia Records' Lambert-Hendricks and Ross singing jazz trio. And responsible for the group's high spirit and brilliant material is Jon Hendricks who writes lyrics that are fashioned to instrumental jazz compositions, and otherwise seems to keep everyone on the stand with him fired up and moving.

Due for applause, too, are Annie Ross and Dave Lambert who contribute greatly. In the L-H-R book are "Little Niles," "Gimme That Wine" and "Centerpiece," but these are only a few of the many fine things the group does. Charlie Parker's "Now's the Time" with words fashioned by Hendricks is another masterpiece.

Another Columbia artist, Ray Bryant, is at the piano with his trio as alternate. In the Vanguard he bows close to his jazz heritage, and leaves "The Madison" alone, which makes for strong, jumping jazz fare. Jack Maher.

Plastics' Sales Up

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port to stockholders of the Templeton Dentrolh mutual fund groups, which employed a disk insert with a message from the president of the fund to shareholders.

The company has already turned out a healthy number of promotion pieces, Bible lessons, other instructional materials and even Christmas cards. Quinn feels that the operation is adaptable to many of the functions currently being carried out by various custom record pressing houses and he believes the TUP process can do the jobs better and more cheaply. Discussions have also been held with leading magazine publishers here with the idea of making the plastic disk available for advertising in these publications.

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THIS WEEK	ONE WEEK AGO	TWO WEEKS AGO	THREE WEEKS AGO	TITLE / Artist, Company / Record No.	STEREO	WEEKS ON CHART
1	1	1	1	ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT ... Elvis Presley, RCA Victor 7810	S	8
2	2	3	4	WONDERLAND BY NIGHT ... Bert Kaempfert, Decca 31141	S	8
3	3	2	2	LAST DATE ... Floyd Cramer, RCA Victor 7775	S	13
4	5	6	10	EXODUS ... Ferrante and Teicher, United Artists 274	S	8
5	4	7	3	A THOUSAND STARS ... Kathy Young and the Innocents, Indigo 108		11
6	6	4	5	NORTH TO ALASKA ... Johnny Horton, Columbia 41782		16
7	7	8	8	MANY TEARS AGO ... Connie Francis, M-G-M 12964		9
8	8	9	12	YOU'RE SIXTEEN ... Johnny Burnette, Liberty 55285		10
9	13	23	40	ANGEL BABY ... Rosie and the Originals, Highland 1011		4
10	10	27	42	CORINNA, CORINNA ... Ray Peterson, Dunes 2002		7
11	16	15	23	RUBBER BALL ... Bobby Vee, Liberty 55287		6
12	9	5	6	SAILOR (YOUR HOME IS IN THE SEA) .. Lolita, Knap 349		11
13	11	10	7	HE WILL BREAK YOUR HEART ... Jerry Butler, Vee Jay 384		10
14	20	22	33	(WILL YOU LOVE ME) TOMORROW ... Shirelles, Scepter 1211		7
15	12	12	18	LONELY TEENAGER ... Dion, Laurie 3070		12
16	17	20	25	WONDERLAND BY NIGHT ... Louis Prima, Dot 16151	S	8
17	15	17	19	PERFIDIA ... Ventures, Dolton 28		10
18	14	26	64	ROCKIN' AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE ... Brenda Lee, Decca 30776		4
19	27	47	57	WONDERLAND BY NIGHT ... Anita Bryant, Carlton 537		5
20	23	14	14	SWAY ... Bobby Rydell, Cameo 182		9
21	18	11	9	POETRY IN MOTION ... Johnny Tillotson, Cadence 1304		13
22	42	65	95	CALCUTTA ... Lawrence Welk, Dot 16161		4
23	35	42	59	WINGS OF A DOVE ... Ferlin Husky, Capitol 4406		6
24	19	18	13	NEW ORLEANS ... U. S. Bonds, Legrand 819		12
25	22	19	17	MY GIRL JOSEPHINE ... Fats Domino, Imperial 5704		11
26	25	16	22	BLUE TANGO ... Bill Black's Combo, 101 2027		6
27	62	93	—	BABY, O' BABY ... Shelly, Johnson 104		3
28	32	36	35	RUBY ... Ray Charles, ABC-Paramount 10164		7
29	24	28	53	LITTLE DRUMMER BOY ... Harry Simeone Chorale, 20th Fox 121		4
30	29	33	26	FOOLS RUSH IN ... Brook Benton, Mercury 71723		8
31	28	21	16	ALONE AT LAST ... Jackie Wilson, Brunswick 55178		13
32	53	59	71	SHOP AROUND ... Miracles, Tamla 54034		4
33	39	30	20	I GOTTA KNOW ... Elvis Presley, RCA Victor 7810	S	8
34	31	41	65	DOLL HOUSE ... Donnie Brooks, Era 3028		6
35	30	13	11	STAY ... Maurice Williams and the Zodiacs, Herald 552		14
36	34	29	51	SAD MOOD ... Sam Cooke, RCA Victor 7816		5
37	55	77	—	I COUNT THE TEARS ... Drifters, Atlantic 2007		3
38	57	100	—	CALENDAR GIRL ... Neil Sedaka, RCA Victor 7829		3
39	38	34	34	BALLAD OF THE ALAMO ... Marty Robbins, Columbia 41809	△	12
40	51	57	84	I'M HURTIN' ... Roy Orbison, Monument 433		4
41	37	31	27	I'LL SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR YOU .. Damita Jo, Mercury 71690		11
42	63	—	—	YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE ... Ricky Nelson, Imperial 5707		2
43	52	51	50	GONZO ... James Booker, Peacock 1697		9
44	48	54	52	GEE WHIZ ... Innocents, Indigo 111		7
45	40	38	24	HUCKLEBUCK ... Chubby Checker, Parkway 813		13
46	59	61	74	BUMBLE BEE ... La Vern Baker, Atlantic 2077		8
47	56	69	72	DANCE BY THE LIGHT OF THE MOON .. Olympics, Arvee 5020		5
48	43	39	31	AM I LOSING YOU ... Jim Reeves, RCA Victor 7800		11
49	61	78	—	TWISTIN' BELLS ... Santo and Johnny, Canadian-American 120		3
50	49	44	49	ONCE IN A WHILE ... Chimes, Tag 444		10
51	58	89	—	CHRISTMAS AULD LANG SYNE ... Bobby Darin, Atco 6183		3
52	33	25	15	LET'S GO, LET'S GO, LET'S GO ... Hank Ballard and the Midnighters, King 5490		16
53	47	37	30	LIKE STRANGERS ... Everly Brothers, Cadence 1388		10
54	50	75	88	A PERFECT LOVE ... Frankie Avalon, Chancellor 1065		4
55	41	24	21	LAST DATE ... Lawrence Welk, Dot 16145	S	7
56	69	81	86	PUPPET SONG ... Frankie Avalon, Chancellor 1065		4
57	68	79	98	MY LAST DATE (WITH YOU) ... Skeeter Davis, RCA Victor 7825		4
58	67	60	75	MAGNIFICENT SEVEN ... Al Caiola, United Artists 261		5
59	70	50	45	EXODUS ... Mantovani, London 1953	S	7
60	89	98	—	LOVEY DOVEY ... Buddy Knox, Liberty 55290		3
61	98	—	—	THERE SHE GOES ... Jerry Wallace, Challenge 59098		3
62	72	43	58	HOOCHIE COOCHIE COO ... Hank Ballard and the Midnighters, King 5438		5
63	66	82	—	YOUR OTHER LOVE ... Flamingos, End 1081		3
64	75	—	—	HOW TO HANDLE A WOMAN ... Johnny Mathis, Columbia 41844		2
65	46	66	47	OL' Mac DONALD ... Frank Sinatra, Capitol 4466		9
66	80	—	—	(LET'S DO) THE HULLY GULLY ... Bill Doggett, Warner Bros. 5181		2
67	44	35	29	SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME ... Drifters, Atlantic 2071		18
68	79	85	96	YOU DON'T WANT MY LOVE ... Andy Williams, Cadence 1398		4
69	83	90	—	MY LAST DATE (WITH YOU) ... Joni James, M-G-M 12933		3
70	82	—	—	CHERRY PINK AND APPLE BLOSSOM WHITE ... Jerry Murad's Harmonicats, Columbia 41816		2
71	86	88	93	HAPPY DAYS ... Marv Johnson, United Artists 273		4
72	—	—	—	C'EST SI BON ... Conway Twitty, M-G-M 12969		1
73	81	48	54	WALK SLOW ... Little Willie John, King 5428		6
74	88	95	—	PEPE ... Duane Eddy, Jamie 1178		3
75	77	99	—	MISTER LIVINGSTON ... Larry Verne, Era 3034		3
76	96	—	—	WE HAVE LOVE ... Dinah Washington, Mercury 71744		2
77	94	—	—	ANGEL ON MY SHOULDER ... Shelby Flint, Valiant 9B 6001		2
78	100	—	—	SPOONFUL ... Etta and Harvey, Chess 1771		2
79	87	91	—	UTOPIA ... Frank Gari, Crusade 1020		3
80	97	—	—	MAKE SOMEONE HAPPY ... Perry Como, RCA Victor 7812		2
81	—	—	—	MILK COW BLUES ... Ricky Nelson, Imperial 5707		1
82	90	92	94	I IDOLIZE YOU ... Ike and Tina Turner, Sue 735		4
83	—	—	—	EMOTIONS ... Brenda Lee, Decca 31195		1
84	—	—	—	WHAT WOULD I DO ... Mickey and Sylvia, RCA Victor 7811		1
85	—	—	—	YES, I'M LONESOME TONIGHT ... Thelma Carpenter, Coral 62241		1
86	—	—	—	SPANISH HARLEM ... Ben E. King, Atco 6185		1
87	99	—	—	OH, HOW I MISS YOU TONIGHT ... Jeanne Black, Capitol 4492		2
88	—	—	—	THERE'S A MOON OUT TONIGHT ... Capris, Old Town 1094		1
89	91	94	99	WABASH BLUES ... Fiveocents, Madison 140		5
90	—	—	—	FIRST TASTE OF LOVE ... Ben E. King, Atco 7185		1
91	—	—	—	IF I KNEW ... Nat King Cole, Capitol 4481		1
92	—	—	—	ALL IN MY MIND ... Maxine Brown, Nomar 182		1
93	92	—	—	TALK TO ME BABY ... Annette, Vista 368		2
94	—	—	—	DON'T BELIEVE HIM, DONNA ... Lenny Miles, Scepter 1212		1
95	—	—	—	DON'T READ THE LETTER ... Patti Page, Mercury 71745		1
96	—	—	—	I DON'T WANT NOBODY ... Ella Johnson and Buddy Johnson Orch., Mercury 71723		1
97	—	—	—	OH LONESOME ME ... Johnny Cash, Sun 388		1
98	—	—	—	YES, I'M LONESOME TONIGHT ... Dodie Stevens, Dot 16167		1
99	—	—	—	SUGAR BEE ... Cleveland Crochet, Goldband 1106		1
100	—	—	—	THIS IS MY STORY ... Mickey and Sylvia, RCA Victor 7811		1

& TOMORROW'S TOPS

BEST BUYS

These records, of all those on the Hot 100, have begun to show NATIONAL sales breakout action this week for the first time. They are recommended to dealers, juke box operators and disk jockeys as having the greatest potential to go all the way. Previous Billboard Spotlight Picks are marked (*).

POP

BUMBLE BEE ..... **LaVern Baker**
(Malapi-Lunduane, BMI) Atlantic 2077

***MY LAST DATE (WITH YOU)** ..... **Skeeter Davis**
(Acuff-Rose, BMI) RCA Victor 7825

***MY LAST DATE (WITH YOU)** ..... **Joni James**
(Acuff-Rose, BMI) M-G-M 12933

LOVEY DOVEY ..... **Buddy Knox**
(Progressive, BMI) Liberty 55290

***BABY, OH, BABY** ..... **Shells**
(Figure, BMI) Johnson 104

C&W

***MY LAST DATE (WITH YOU)** ..... **Skeeter Davis**
(Acuff-Rose, BMI) RCA Victor 7825

***ONE STEP AHEAD OF MY PAST** ..... **Hank Locklin**
(Sigma, ASCAP) RCA Victor 7813

R&B

***(WILL YOU LOVE ME) TOMORROW** ..... **Shirelles**
(Aldon, BMI) Scepter 1211

PLEASE COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS .... **Charles Brown**
(Lois, BMI) King 5405

BUBBLING UNDER THE HOT 100

These records, while they have not yet developed enough strength throout the country for inclusion on any national chart coverage, already show stimulated sales and/or regional action. Rank position indicates relative potential to earn an early listing on the Hot 100.

1. **AND THE HEAVENS CRIED** .. **Ronnie Savoy, M-G-M 12950**
2. **I GOTTA GO** ..... **Brian Hyland, Kapp 363**
3. **I AIN'T DOWN YET** ..... **Dinah Shore, Capitol 4476**
4. **I REMEMBER (IN THE STILL OF THE NIGHT)** ..... **Crests, Coed 543**
5. **UPSIDED OVERLOAD** ..... **Brian Hyland, Kapp 363**
6. **YOU GOTTA LOVE HER WITH A FEELING** ..... **Freddy King, Federal 12384**
7. **WHAT ARE YOU DOING NEW YEAR'S EVE** ..... **Dante and the Evergreens, Madison 143**
8. **GEE BABY** ..... **Joe and Ann, Ace 577**
9. **IF I DIDN'T CARE** ..... **Platters, Mercury 71749**
10. **LOOK OUT** ..... **Ted Taylor, Top Rank 2076**
11. **I AIN'T DOWN YET** ..... **Art Mooney Ork, M-G-M 12957**
12. **MY EMPTY ARMS** ..... **Jackie Wilson, Brunswick 55281**
13. **MUSKRAT RAMBLE** ..... **Freddy Cannon, Swan 4066**
14. **JIMMY'S GIRL** ..... **Johnny Tillotson, Cadence 1391**
15. **TAKE ME TO YOUR LADDER** .. **Buddy Clinton, Madison 144**

HOT 100: A TO Z

A Perfect Love 61
A Thousand Girls 91
All In My Mind 92
Alone at Last 81
Am I Losing You 46
Angel Baby 7
Angel on My Shoulder 7
Are You Lonesome Tonight 2
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Ballad of the Alamo 34
Blue Tango 36
Bumble Bee 84
Calcutta 1
Cathy's Clown 23
Chad Si Ann
Cherry Pink and Apple Blossom 75
Christmas Love Letter 74
Corinne, Corinne 19
Dance by the Light of the Moon 90
Get Mellow 93
Gee Whiz (Look in Her Eyes) 14
Don't Break the Heart 11
Southern 11
Dreamin' (Burnette & Teicher) 94
Exodus (Instrumental) 50
First Taste of Love 95
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Gee Whiz 14
Hangy Days 72
He Will Break Your Heart 11
Heartbreaker 44
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the pick of the new releases:

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Pop

PAUL ANKA

BILLBOARD PICK

THE STORY OF MY LOVE (Spanka, BMI) (2:26)—DON'T SAY YOU'RE SORRY (Spanka, BMI) (2:36)—A neatly contrasting coupling for Anka with the top side bright, bouncy and much in the groove of his original hit, "Diana." The flip is a listenable new ballad, well sung to a backing of chorus, triplets and strings. Anka wrote both and either side can go. **ABC-Paramount 10168**

ETTA JAMES

BILLBOARD PICK

AT LAST (Feist, ASCAP) (3:00)—I JUST WANT TO MAKE LOVE TO YOU (Arc, BMI) (3:03)—The thrush has been highly successful of late and this smart grouping can continue the string. On top is the fine old ballad which gets great thrushing. Flip is the blues bit of years back and it gets an equally stylish effort. Watch both. **Argo 5380**

DEE CLARK

BILLBOARD PICK

BECAUSE I LOVE YOU (Conrad, BMI) (2:37)—YOUR FRIENDS (Conrad, BMI) (2:09)—Two bright ones for Clark. The top side is a driving effort with expressive chanting and a pounding backing. Flip is another rhythmic tune with a moral in the lyric. Very smart both ways. **VeeJay 372**

ROY HAMILTON

BILLBOARD PICK

YOU CAN HAVE HER (Big Billy, BMI) (2:40)—The chanter has one of his finest in a good while here. It's an exciting, gospel-styled song with solid chorus and ork effects in addition to Hamilton's fine warbling. Flip is a ballad, "Abide With Me," (Big Billy, BMI) (2:37). **Epic 9434**

TITUS TURNER

BILLBOARD PICK

SOUND OFF (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP) (2:02)—Turner had a bit sometime back with "We Told You Not to Marry," an answer to a Lloyd Price hit. Here's another clever arrangement of a familiar old theme, well handled by Turner and chorus. This can grab lots of action. Flip is "Me and My Lonely Telephone," (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP) (1:58). **Jamie 1174**

Rhythm & Blues

JIMMY REED

BILLBOARD PICK

CLOSE TOGETHER (Conrad, BMI) (2:27)—LAUGHING AT THE BLUES (Conrad, BMI) (1:58)—Two mighty interesting sides. On top is a fine, uptempo, down-home blues with a good message. The flip is a blues that's basically an instrumental, punctuated by wild, laughing shouts in the background. Both sides can score. **VeeJay 373**

★ ★ ★ ★

VERY STRONG SALES POTENTIAL

POPULAR ★★★★

DELLA REESE

★★★★ You Mean All the World to Me—RCA VICTOR 7833 (3:3)—Della Reese sells this ditty (based on the classical theme "Trumerei") with her usual verve, over lovely string accompaniment. Should get a lot of action. (Alexis, ASCAP) (2:09)

★★★★ The Most Beautiful Words — A pretty new ballad receives a solid performance from the thrush, sided again by a most attractive ork arrangement. Two strong sides. (Kahl, BMI) (2:35)

JOHNNY WILLIAMS AND HIS ORCHESTRA

★★★★ Theme From "Checkmate"—COLUMBIA 41925—Dramatic TV title theme is wrapped up in an exciting instrumental by Johnny Williams. Interesting jockey wax. Both sides are from Williams' new LP "Checkmate" (Hawaiian, BMI) (2:14)

★★★ The Black Knight—Composer and conductor of the TV series "Checkmate," Williams provides a haunting ork treatment of a bluesy theme. (Hawaiian, BMI) (2:35)

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Reviews of THIS WEEK'S SINGLES

Reviews of New Pop Records

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THE TENNESSEE TWO AND FRIEND
★★★ Blues For Two — COLUMBIA 41926 — Effective guitar solo slant on a catchy, country-flavored blues. Sprightly, with dual market appeal. (Johnny Cash, BMI) (2:37)

★★★ Jerl and Nina's Melody—Plaintive theme is handed solid guitar solo work. Another good deejay side with dual market potential. (Johnny Cash, BMI) (2:40)

ANDY AND THE BEY SISTERS
★★★ You Can't Be Mine Anymore—RCA VICTOR 7832 (33)—Andy and the Bey Sisters bow on the label with an intriguing performance of a bright bunk of material. The backing swings, too. (Rosewell, BMI) (2:31).

★★★

GOOD SALES POTENTIAL

RANGERS
★★★ (Ghost) Riders in the Sky—ETP 404 —Here's another instrumental version of the oldie played in bouncy fashion by the sax with a chorus adding listenable and often exciting sounds. The Amy record is getting action, but this disk could get some of the coins. (E. H. Morris, ASCAP) (2:36)

★★★ 4 on the Floor—Another interesting instrumental here here, that stems from the word go. Side is made to order for the boors. (Bell-Tom-Pell, BMI) (1:45)

SHIRLEY & LEE
★★★ Two Peas in a Pod—WARWICK 606—Shirley and Lee are back with a bright, tuneful rocker, in which they sing of their life together. Pleasant wax. (Lee, BMI) (2:17)

★★★ Your Love Makes the Difference—The duo handles this happy rocker with their usual feeling, aided by strong rhythm support from the combo. They can get spins with this. (Selma, BMI) (2:33)

JIMMY SCOTT
★★★ These Are the Things I Love—SAVOY 1080—Jimmy Scott handles the ballad warmly here, while the band comes through smoothly behind him, featuring muses of strings. Listenable wax. (Berlin, BMI)

★★★ My Romance — The Rodgers and Hart oldie is sung with feeling, and the arrangement is simple in the backing. Listenable wax. (Hirsm, ASCAP)

MANDRAKE
★★★ Ah I Do In Dream of You—COLUMBIA 41928—A bright and intriguing arrangement of the oldie, played with spirit here by the instrumental combo. Disk has a lot of punch and is worth deejay exposure. (Robbins, ASCAP) (2:05)

★★★ Lost Love—On this side the combo comes thru with a pleasant, and tripled-backed version of a new instrumental ballad played in attractive fashion. Both sides are worth a listen. (Eldorado-Hollie, BMI) (2:15)

MIKE CLIFFORD
★★★ Poor Little Girl—COLUMBIA 41862 —Warbler singing by Clifford on a pretty teen-appeal ballad. (Nomat, ASCAP) (2:35)

★★★ Stranger—Expressive chanting on an attractive ballad by Clifford, a new discovery of Johnny Mathis' manager, Helen Noga. (Nomat, ASCAP) (2:26)

MIRANDA MARTINO
★★★ Ta Quiero Que-Que—RCA VICTOR 47-7828—A smart Italian novelty, well sung in rapid-fire pace by the gal. Instrumental sound effects against an organ accompaniment constitute interest. A talented thrush in the Valens tradition. (Carlo Alberto Rossi) (2:30)

★★★ Just Say I Love Him—After a big flourish with strings in the build-up, Miss Martino bests out this familiar melody to a well-accented rhythmic beat. (Larry Spier, Inc., ASCAP) (2:20)

LINDA HOPKINS
★★★ I Diddle Dum Dum (Diddle Yum Dee)—UNIVERSE 9-55302—The upbeat side. Strong rhythm feeling here with a good vocal from the gal, assisted by a fem chorus. Spirited. (Merrimac Mus. Corp., BMI) (2:06)

★★★ All in My Mind—A rock-ballad behind with considerable feeling by Miss Hopkins. Strong r.&b. roots here. (Figure Mus. Inc., BMI) (2:22)

JOHNNY WESTERN
★★★ Darling Corey—COLUMBIA 41921—Johnny recovers of the familiar tune by Johnny Western and the combo here. It has enchantment and a chance for coin. (Folkways, BMI) (2:39)

★★★ Willowgreen—Johnny Western bows on the label with a pleasant, through very exciting performance of a pretty ballad with a fine western country. (Catbriar, BMI) (2:57)

DAVE SHEFFIELD
★★★ Santaish' Pauchee — CAPITOL 4694 —Sheffield relates the tale of the farm hoe, and does a fine performance spot because he stirs peaches. Offbeat material has the gal in a good deejay mood. Good art. (Kyder, BMI) (1:50)

★★★ Ten Ting Tang—Here's an interesting calypso-tied novelty, not unlike the tune "Charlie Brown" in concept. Shelf Collin sings it with ease and both show a touch. (Kyder, BMI) (2:21)

TOMMY COLLINS
★★★ My Last Chance With You—CAPITOL 4694—A singer in the true tradition Collins sings it agreeably with a good deejay side. Tune has a lot of heart here. (Central Songs, BMI) (2:10)

★★★ Black Cat—A snappy, rhythmic ditty by Tommy Collins. Collins gives it a good go and he can grab spins with it. (Central Songs, BMI) (2:10)

BONNIE MAY
★★★ If Teardrops Were Pennies—DECCA 31391—The gal has a distinct touch and Teresa Brewer in her voice. The song is a bubbly and she handles it with much feeling against fiddles. Good, listenable wax. (Dema, ASCAP) (2:00)

★★★ It Only Hurts for a Little While — The tune was a hit for the James Brothers some years back and Miss May gives it a good go and he can grab spins with it. (Central Songs, BMI) (2:10)

PALAIS ROYALS
★★★ You Are My Sunshine—MANCY 5066—Rockin' performance of the oldie by the Palais Royals, on this unique Bourbon mental disking. Could get some coin. (Peer Int'l, BMI) (2:05)

★★★ Walk Me — Same comment. (Hi-Note, BMI) (2:27)

BIFF BENNETT'S BAND
★★★ Riverside Drive—JUBILEE 5397—A driving instrumental Drive, that takes off on the "Down By the Riverside" oldie. Band spots good tenor and organ solos. (Music, ASCAP) (1:32)

★★ Sweet and Lovely—With tenor saxes out front, the standard gets a rock-ballad treatment. (Daniels, ASCAP) (2:04)

Novelty

★★★

JOHNNY GUNN
★★★ Jean & Marie (John and Marsha)—WARNER 5191—This is the old novelty "John and Marsha," with a lush accent. Jean Wax for earnedy jocks. (Century, BMI) (2:34)

★★★ It Only Laughs When I Hurt—Amusing narrative on a catchy novelty theme. Off-beat jockey wax. Marsha, jazz-flavored backing. (Wilmark, ASCAP) (2:37)

IRVING JONES
★★★ The Song of Songs—SIGNATURE 12055—Introduced by a fittingly sweeping fiddle passage, Jones moves for a very humorous Yiddish dialect approach to the well-known song. This can gather novelty spins. (Chappell, ASCAP) (2:32)

★★★ I'll Always Be In Love With You—The old tune gets a chuckle-filled delivery by Jones with his Yiddish styled approach. He gets a completely legit styled orchestral backing. Another side with yocks. (Shapiro-Bernstein, ASCAP) (1:39)

Country & Western

★★★★

COWBOYS COPAS
★★★★ (I'm a) Stranger in My House—KING 5417—The Copas bit of a number of years ago is re-released here. The chanter's vocal has much heart, and the background is old-fashioned country. A waxing that could interest Copas' fans. (Ridgeway, BMI) (2:44)

★★★ Old Fashioned True Love—A subtler item from the King vaults is this honeyy lilter which the Copas perform brightly aided by listenable string wax support. (Jay Cee, BMI) (2:00)

★★★

ERNEST TUBB
★★★★ Girl From Abilene—DECCA 31396 —Here's a good book of material to set in an easygoing, lazy kind of beat. Tubb handles it in his winning way in an effective piano backing. Fans will want this one. (Tree, BMI) (2:29)

★★★ Little Ola Band of Gold—A good country ballad with a weeper kind of story accented by a tender, sympathetic listenable effort. (Pamper, BMI) (2:36)

★★★

ANDY DOLL
★★★ Wild Desire—AD 4733—Andy Doll turns in a snappy and very listenable performance of a country-tinged song, aided by good style by the band. Side has a chance for coins if exposed. Watch it. (Ridgeway, BMI) (1:49)

★★★ Wait—A bright, swinging instrumental excerpt is a fine performance by Doll from the Andy Doll group. Side could get coin exposure with good action. Watch it. (Timberland, BMI) (2:17)

GENE JAY
★★★ Dress Red Her Back to Me—AD 4786—Gene Jay bows on the label with a warm performance of a country-styled weeper and shows will a good vocal style. Worth exposure. (Redd Harper, BMI) (2:25)

★★★ Have I Lived—A bright, and philosophic ditty is sung with much heart here by the chanter aided by listenable backing. Jay has a good pair of pipes. (Ridgeway, BMI) (2:05)

RUSTY AND DOUG
★★★ Louisiana Man—HICKORY 1137—Rusty and Doug acquaintance time, with a pronounced beat. Side has a good fiddle figure behind the spirited vocal. Brave country buyers will particularly like this one. (Acuff-Rose, BMI) (2:00)

★★★ Make Me Realize—A pretty ballad, handily sung by the boys in a more or less traditional style. Effective wax in the country groove. (Acuff-Rose, BMI) (2:26)

BILL CLIFTON
★★★ Let Me Floor—STARDAY 579 —Lively country item with authentic folk and Hill characteristics. Good fine for dancing. (Starday, BMI) (2:25)

★★★ Rainmaking on the Great Divide—Tuthing here is a wonderful mood. Jocks with a taste for good pickin' and singin' will add this to the library. (Peer, BMI) (2:45)

Spiritual

★★★

SUGGS BROTHERS QUARTET
★★★ Jacob's Ladder—BEVERLY 750—Expert quartet recording cannot conceal the feeling and devotion of this group. The lead is really a fine shouter and should please a lot at buyers. Boys sing to a simple guitar beat. (Don Carlos, BMI) (3:03)

International

★★★

JIMMY FONTANA
★★★ Vivete (Arrivederci Parole) — VESUVIUS 1020—The boy sings sweetly on this Italian ballad which is unusually treated with just bass guitar and tenor sax in the background. (Melody Trails, BIEM)

★★ Diavolo (DavID)—The flip is an up-tempo swinger that the boy sings nicely in Italian. Big band forms a jumping background. (BIEM)

Latin American

★★★

ACRIMA Y SU DANZONERA
★★★ Bibabelumbe(EON) 917—A Tex-Mex Guaraed adaptation of the noted wria. Interesting programming for specialized stations. (3:30)

★★★ Mujer Perfum—Latin side with synthetic flavor, suitable for Tex-Mex areas. (2:20)

LIMITED SALES POTENTIAL

The following singles were reviewed by The Billboard Music Staff and are considered to be of limited sales potential.

Popular

TONY MITCHELL
Queen On — Please Be Forgiving. (Valt, 246)

THE SHADOWS
Tell This Lonely Heart Goodbye — Wander Boy. DOTTIE 1006.

LONNIE MAE
Record Hop Dream — I Cried a Teen Age Tear. FIVE STAR 1013.

DON SOHL & THE ROADRUNNERS
Look Out Little Girl — Rampage. DREAM 2014.

THE TEEN NOTES
Cuddle' — I Saw Her First. DEB 126-2.

THE 3 DUCES
How Dreamy — Give Me Your Love. HOLLY 101.

LINCOLN CHASE
M or Orangtuan — Walkin' Slowly. CO-LUMBIA 41914.

KING COLEMAN
Bahing — Shes Bottom Blues. CO-LUMBIA 41927.

DEVON CONNOR
Cincinnati Cinderella—Meet Me at the Snack Shoppe. VARIETY 1027

DOT PRESTON
The Things We Did Last Summer—You Don't Know. ALKI 1160

BOB ACKOFF & PREMIERS
Come Dance With Me — Sometimes. ROULETTE 4339

CLAUDE MILLER
Mbiti—Salia Doll. ALLEGRO 1459

JERRY ROGERS
Sin Sada—Fickle Baby. STAR CREST 1

JOHNNY LONG
You're Right—Rock and Roll Nursery Rhyme. SOMA 1149

BILL SAMUELS
I'm Glad There Is You — Stompin' the Blues Away. SOMA 1150.

SUZANNE
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GUS TALBERT
Tears in Love — Just Dreaming. PINE 1001.

RED SPEEKS
I Talked With Hank — If You Tell a Lie. RED HED 1004.

★★★ Where Are You Traveling To—An other side with plenty of commercial in view. Very down to earth coupling. (Don Carlos, BMI) (2:33)

SOUTHERN SPIRITUALS
★★★ Must Jesus Bear the Cross — BEVERLY 751—The recording was made in Kinston, N. C. by the new group. They contribute an adequately spirited performance. (Don Carlos, BMI) (2:33)

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Epic LP's Set: Pops, Classics

NEW YORK — Four classical LP's and three popular sets make up the Epic Records release for January.

Sets by actor Burgess Meredith and dance orch leader Lester Lanin top the pop issues. In the classical area, George Szell conducts the Cleveland orch in Dvorak's Symphony No. 2, and Eduard Van Beinum, leading the Concertgebouw Orchestra of Amsterdam, interprets Bach's Sinfonia in B Flat Major and D Major. The Vienna Symphony performs works by Liszt and Kodaly and the Cleveland Sinfonietta with flutist Maurice Sharp performing work by Honeegger, Hanson and Griffe.

Zenith Lines

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carries an improved "Cobra" custom tone arm and a new record "feeler" bar which, functioning magnetically, touches only the edge of the records when changing them.

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Displayed too, were the company's line of transistor, table model, and clock radios.

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"OH LONESOME ME"

c/w

"LIFE GOES ON"

Sun 355

JOHNNY CASH
OH, LONESOME ME (ASCAP-Sun, BMI Club—Life GOES ON (Cash-Sun, BMI Club—Cash) The two sides here with strong commercial potential in both the c&w and pop markets. "Oh, Lonesome Me," the old Don Gibson tune, is accorded a lively reading and on the flip, a surprise, features a moving vocal. Both sides solid. Sun 355

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FOLK TALENT AND TUNES

By BILL SACHS

Around the Horn

The new **Pee Wee King** unit opens at the Golden Nugget, Las Vegas, January 5 and follows with dates in Texas, New Mexico and Kansas before returning to Louisville in time for the annual Sports Show at the Fairgrounds Coliseum February 18-27. King is reportedly negotiating with **Jim Halsey**, of Thunderbird Artists, Independence, Kan., for the 1961 season. . . . **Ted Miller** and **Arnold Weisner** are reported lining up a string of Pennsylvania dates for a c.&w. package featuring a number of "Grand Ole Opry" stars. . . . Vokes Music, New Kensington, Pa., has leased a master tape of four bluegrass-type songs by **Denver Duke** and **Jeffrey Nall** to **Don Pierce's** Starday Records.

William Otha (Slim) Smith, 55, Nashville fiddler and guitarist, formerly with WSM's "Grand Ole Opry" for nearly 20 years, died in a Nashville hospital December 23 after a lengthy illness. He retired from the entertainment field five years ago because of ill health. A native of Mannington, Ky., Smith moved to Nashville in 1935, where he appeared on stations WSM and WLAC. He joined "Grand Ole Opry" the following year and spent most of the time there as a member of Roy Acuff's unit. Surviving are his widow, the former Myrtle Wallace; a daughter, Mrs. Agness Emmett; a stepdaughter, Mrs. G. D. Thornton, and a stepson, John W. Wallace, all of Nashville. Burial was in Spring Hill Cemetery, that city.

Wilf Carter, better known to his American fans as **Montana Slim**, was due in Nashville last week to discuss a Canadian tour with **Hank Snow** to begin early in the spring. Snow, recovered from his recent bout with the flu, has a new RCA Victor release in "Man Behind the Gun" h.w. "I'm Asking for a Friend." . . . **Wanda Jackson** and **Her Party-Timers** are in the midst of a six-week stand at the Golden Nugget, Las Vegas. They wind up there January 25. . . . **Curley Culpepper** has just cut his first session for Harry Buck Howell, of McDowell Records, Montgomery, Ala. Release date is January 15.

Jim Reeves has teamed with **New York Yankees** star **Mickey Mantle** to open a new bowling alley in Henderson, Tex. Jim and wife Mary spent Christmas with home folks in Texas, with Jim spending last week hunting on the King Ranch in the Lone Star State. . . . **Justin Tubb** last week had his first release on the Starday label, "One-Eyed Red" h.w. "I'd Know You Anywhere." . . . **Cousin Jody** and **His Country Cousins**, of WSM's "Grand Ole Opry," have a new manager in Jim Ballard, of Chattanooga. Latter formerly owned Station WOOD, New Bern, N. C., and managed WKIX, Raleigh, N. C. . . . **The Willis Brothers**, who left on a USO tour December 12, are due back in Nashville around January 15. . . . **Hank Snow** on January 7 celebrates his 11th year with WSM's "Grand Ole Opry."

Lester Flatt and **Earl Scruggs** will work in concert at Hartford, Conn., January 13 and will play a similar engagement at Boston's Jordan Hall January 14. On January 15 the lads don their concert robes for a date at the Fashion of Institute of Technology, New York. . . . **Ray Drudek** shows his wares in Cleveland January 17. . . . **Stringbean**, "Grand Ole Opry" comic, plays Gainesville, Fla., January 30; Tallahassee, Fla., 30; Panama City, Fla., February 1; Pensacola, Fla., 2; Gulfport, Miss., 3, and Biloxi, Miss., 4. . . . **Faron Young** is set for a January 9-14 stand in Minneapolis. . . . **The Cackle Sisters, Mary and Cathy**, heard on Station KBTM, Jonesboro, Ark., the last two and a half years, report that they have formed their own diskery known as Mar-Kay Records, with headquarters in Jonesboro. The sister team is also heard on the air in St. Louis, where they are sponsored by the Old Judge Coffee Company.

January itinerary for the gospel-singing **Blackwood Brothers** stacks up as follows: Franklin, Ky., January 3; Sikeston, Mo., 5; Nashville, 6; Atlanta, 7; Springfield, Mo., 12; Little Rock, Ark., 13; Fort Worth, 14; Houston, 15; San Antonio, 16; Big Springs, Tex., 17; San Bernardino, Calif., 19; Long Beach, Calif., 20; Porterville, Calif., 22; Albuquerque, N. M., 24; Plainview, Tex., 25; Tulsa, Okla., 26; Shreveport, La., 27, and Montgomery, Ala., 28. . . . **Hank Cochran** visited with relatives in Mississippi over the holidays. . . . **Hal Smith** and wife **Velma** spent the holidays with homefolks in Alabama. . . . **Claude Cavness**, West Coast representative for Pamper Music, Inc., is back at his headquarters in Pico Rivera, Calif., after a visit to the home office in Goodlettville, Tenn. . . . **Charlie Webb**, Dallas agent, reports that he's on the search for strong song material for Mark Webb, Walter Wheeler and Jimmy Littlejohn for recording sessions in February.

With the Jockeys

"I need service on country and western records from all labels," typewrites **Cactus Tom**, who spins the country wax on KOLO, Reno, Nev. "Deejay service here on new releases is very bad." . . . **Mack Rains**, c.&w. jockey on WEZJ, Williamsburg, Ky., says he's spinning the stuff five hours a day and is in need of good c.&w. releases. . . . After being out of the corral for some time, **Joe Penny**, formerly on WEHT-TV, WTVW-TV and WIPS, Evansville, is now doing daily accents-the-board shows on WNNT, Warsaw, Va. During his holiday away from the mike, Joe did some recording for Federal Records (King) in Cincinnati, spent some time on the road and put in the past year at his home in Danville, Va. Penny still puts in his spare time writing song material. His most recent release, "Break It to Me Gently," has been done by **Gene Martin** on **Hilltone Buttram's** Lock label. He invites disk jockeys and artists to send him sample releases for his new show.

Lloyd Hawkins, owner and general manager of KURV, Edinburg, Tex., announces that the station has just made a complete switchover to full-time country and western programming. The new format is under the supervision of **Bob Dodson**, vet c.&w. deejay, who has been associated with Hawkins' operation since 1954. KURV covers the South Texas area on 710 k.c. and is on the air from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily. Hawkins urges artists to send tapes for station ID's and welcomes releases from the diskeries and artists alike.

The Billboard HOT C&W SIDES

THIS WEEK	ONE WEEK AGO	TWO WEEKS AGO	THREE WEEKS AGO	FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY 8 TITLE, Artist, Company, Record No.	WEEKS ON CHART
1	1	1	1	ON THE WINGS OF A DOVE, Ferlin Husky, Capitol 4406	18
2	2	2	2	NORTH TO ALASKA, Johnny Horton, Columbia 41782	8
3	4	4	5	I MISSED ME, Jim Reeves, RCA Victor 7800	10
4	5	5	8	FALLEN ANGEL, Webb Pierce, Decca 31165	8
5	3	3	3	EXCUSE ME, Buck Owens, Capitol 4412	16
6	6	6	4	ALABAM, Cowboy Copas, Starday 501	27
7	10	10	9	I THINK I KNOW, Marlene Worth, Columbia 41799	8
8	9	13	10	YOU CAN'T PICK A ROSE IN DECEMBER, Ernest Ashworth, Decca 31156	11
9	12	12	21	SWEET DREAMS, Don Gibson, RCA Victor 7805	6
10	13	11	11	WINDOW UP ABOVE, George Jones, Mercury 71700	9
11	D	9	18	AM I LOSING YOU, Jim Reeves, RCA Victor 7800	7
12	14	15	17	LAST DATE, Floyd Cramer, RCA Victor 7775	9
13	15	14	14	POLKA ON A BANJO, Lester & Earl Scruggs, Columbia 41786	5
14	11	8	6	BEFORE THIS DAY ENDS, Georgia Hamilton IV, ABC-Paramount 10125	13
15	18	20	22	YOU DON'T WANT MY LOVE, Roger Miller, RCA Victor 7776	9
16	16	16	16	HERE I AM DRUNK AGAIN, Clyde Beavor, Decca 31173	11
17	19	22	19	THE MOON IS CRYING, Allan Biddle, Plaid 1001	9
18	17	19	15	WANTING YOU, Jimmy Newman, M-G-M 12945	9
19	7	7	7	I WISH I COULD FALL IN LOVE TODAY, Ray Price, Columbia 41767	14
20	23	28	27	LOVING YOU, Bob Gallion, Hickory 1130	6
21	—	—	—	MY LAST DATE, Skeeter Davis, RCA Victor 7825	1
22	—	—	—	ONE STEP AHEAD OF MY PAST, Hank Locklin, RCA Victor 7813	1
23	—	—	—	SEND ME THE PILLOW YOU DREAM ON, Browns, RCA Victor 7864	1
24	24	23	28	ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT, Elvis Presley, RCA Victor 7810	4
25	20	17	13	LITTLE GUY NAMED JOE, Stonewall Jackson, Columbia 41785	9
26	21	18	20	WORLD SO FULL OF LOVE, Ray Sanders, Liberty 55267	7
27	25	—	—	FORGET THE PAST, Faron Young, Capitol 4463	2
28	22	24	26	I WISH YOU LOVE, Billy Walker, Columbia 41763	8
29	27	25	24	BALLAD OF WILD RIVER, Gene Woods, Hap 1004	13
30	29	—	—	WALK OUT BACKWARD, Bill Anderson, Decca 31168	2

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This Week		Last Week	Weeks on Chart
1.	EXODUS (Chappel)	1	6
2.	THEME FROM THE APARTMENT (Mills)	2	24
3.	LAST DATE (Acuff-Rose)	3	8
4.	WONDERLAND BY NIGHT (Roosevelt)	4	5
5.	GREEN LEAVES OF SUMMER (Feist)	9	9
6.	CALCUTTA (Pincus-Symphony House)	—	1
7.	WHITE CHRISTMAS (Berlin)	5	6
8.	NORTH TO ALASKA (Robbins)	13	5
9.	RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER (St. Nicholas)	6	4
10.	WINTER WONDERLAND (Bregman)	7	1
11.	SILVER BELLS (Paramount)	8	1
12.	MANY TEARS AGO (Roosevelt)	—	46
13.	CLIMB EVERY MOUNTAIN (Williamson)	14	3
14.	SAILOR (YOUR HOME IS IN THE SEA) (Garland Music)	10	3
15.	POETRY IN MOTION (Meridian)	—	1

MUSIC AS WRITTEN

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the group, Lou Applebaum, music consultant to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, spoke at the annual meeting. . . . Lois Marshall, the soprano, will give two concerts during the music season of the 1961 Stratford Festival. She will share the stage on each occasion with Glenn Gould, pianist; Oscar Shumsky, violinist, and Leonard Rose, cellist. . . . Bobby Curtola, who boasts 36 fan clubs, and records for Tartan, of Port Arthur, was visiting in Toronto from his Port Arthur home during Christmas holidays. The record label is owned by the Hurdon Brothers.

Harry Allen Jr.

Philadelphia

MANUFACTURER NEWS: **Dave Von Ronk**, ethnic folk-singer who records for Folkways, and **Don Paulin**, a local lad devoted to the same kind of songs, arc first in for newly opened The 2nd Fret, liquor-less nitery. . . . **Anne Helena Dougherty**, who has been penning top tunes for 16 years, has just been named to membership in ASCAP. . . . Singer **George Shaw**, who had been managing the Trade Winds nitery, has moved across the street to host the Hi-Fi and Lo-Fi Rooms in the Rittenhouse Hotel. . . . Liberty Theater, Stanley-Warner neighborhood house, which is undergoing a major remodeling program, plans to bring in rock and roll stage shows to compete with the nearby and very successful Uptown Theater with the same policy. . . . **Ben Krass**, the clothing tycoon turned crooner, recorded four standards on his own indie label, appropriately enough called Krass Records. . . . **Johnny Rosica**, RCA Victor record exploiteer in this area, hosted dealers and disk jockeys among others in the trade for a three-night preview of "The World of Suzie Wong" movie at the Paramount film exchange —complete with Oriental catering.

Morrie Orodenker.

RADIO BOOSTS COMEDY ALBUM MATERIAL USE

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hour interview with Phyllis Diller (of the Jack Paar TV show), and will feature the comedienne on his show in a series of similar "bits" over a period of weeks. Thus, like Roddy points out, he is able to make his program truly original, since all of the "bits" are exclusive on his show.

Roddy, who plans to record a comedy LP of his own shortly, believes the personality deejay is due to make a comeback. However, the jock opined the new personality disc-spinner will also feature formula programming, thereby blending the best of the two heretofore opposing formats—"Top 40" and "personality."

Roddy himself plays the top hits, and limits between-wax chatter to one minute. At the same time, however, he emphasizes his own personality, and he broadcasts his KQV show from a big picture window and draws audiences by wearing different comedy costumes—a Roman toga, a "Mr. Livingston" explorer suit, a surgeon's uniform.

Also active in the comedy deejay field, is Johnny Quinn, WSBC-TV, Chicago, who featured a special tape on comedy technique on his New Year's Eve show at 9 p.m.

It's interesting to note that "The Button Down Mind of Bob Newhart" was No. 4 on the top 10 "vocal" album chart in The Billboard's 1960 Record Artists Popularity Poll, based on a survey of deejays and station librarians across the country (see The Billboard, December 19, 1960).

Spoken Word Albums

In addition to comedy LP's, spoken word albums of all types are pulling more and more air play. Station KTUL, Tulsa, Okla., recently launched a series of programs tagged "KTUL Sunday Night Special," which feature documentary-type albums, plus certain dramatic readings. The show features such albums as "Don Juan in Hell," "Study of Winston Churchill" by Ed Murrow, "Victory at Sea," "Hear It Now," by Murrow, "Not So Long Ago" by Bob Hope, and "The Presidents" by Walter Brennan.

"Sounds of the Twentieth Century," a similar program, is aired by WRFM-FM, New York, emceed by Gordon Spencer, spotlights poetry, music and comments of our times expressed by great humorists, and draws heavily on spoken word albums.

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$288.75, for vessels of over 3,000 passengers. With airplanes, where capacity is 50 or less, annual fee requested is $50, and where it is over, the fee is a dollar for each seat.

For shopping centers, with less than 10 stores the annual fee is $50, and for each where there are more than 10, the fee is based on $5 for each store.

The submission for tariffs covering exhibitions, fairs, trade shows, motor shows, racing meets, ice skating or roller skating revues or shows, was also contentious. The tariff is based on one-fifth of one cent for each fairgoer. The same fee is also sought for circuses, carnivals and rodeos, with a minimum fee of $5.

Formerly, the former group paid one-tenth of a cent per person, although larger exhibitions paid on a graduated scale, with a top figure of 5 cents per person over 300,000 attendance.

Counsel for the larger Canadian Association of Exhibitions sought a one year delay in board action. He said there was no evidence to warrant the increases.

RESULTS OF GERMAN JUKE BOX DISK POLL

BRAUNSCHWEIG, Germany—The results of the Second Annual German Operators Poll, conducted by Automaten-Markt, showed these artists as the most popular on Germany's juke boxes for 1960:

Male Singers: 1. Freddy, 2. Rocco Granata, 3. Ivo Robic, 4. Peter Kraus, 5. Rene Carol.

Female Singers: 1. Lolita, 2. Heidi Brühl, 3. Dalida, 4. Conny, 5. Connie Francis.

Vocal Groups: 1. Jan and Kjeld, 2. Regento Stars, 3. Hellberg-Duo, 4. Caterina Valente and Silvo Francesco, 5. Western Trio.

Orchestras: 1. Billy Vaughn, 2. Johnny and the Hurricanes, 3. Papa Bue's Viking Jazz Band, 4. John Buck and the Blazers, 5. Emperor Joe's Street Paraders.

The top juke box tunes of 1960, according to Automaten - Markt:

1. "Seemann," by Lolita; 2. "Marina," by Rocco Granata; 3. "Wir Wollen Niemals Auseinandergeh'n," by Heidi Brühl; 4. "Banjo Boy," by Jan and Kjeld; 5. "Unter Fremden Sternen," by Freddy; 6. "Moonlight," by Ted Herold; 7. "Kein Land Kann Schoner Sein," by Rene Carol; 8. "Mustafa," by Leo Leandros; 9. "Milord," by Dalida; 10. "Ich Zahle Taglich Meine Sorgen," (Heartaches by the Number) by Peter Alexander.

Kapp Boosts Classic Disk Prices Jan. 1

NEW YORK — Kapp Records is increasing prices on its line of classical disks effective January 1. The increase is prompted by growing costs of production and recording, according to general sales manager, Jay Lasker.

Monaural classical LP's, now $3.98, will become $4.98 while stereo sets, now $4.98, increase to $5.98. "Kapp Records," Lasker noted, "has resisted the almost industry-wide price rise until this time, and it is one of the very last recording companies to bring its classical division into line with the prices now generally prevalent."

IN THE HOT 100

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• Reviews and Ratings of New Albums

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the other the Lalo composition by the New York Philharmonic under Mitropoulos. Soloist Zino Francescatti on both sides displays his technical brilliance and beautiful tone.

★★★★ MOZART CONCERTOS — NO. 22 IN B FLAT, K. 482; NO. 23 IN A MAJOR, K. 488

Robert Casadesus, Piano, The Columbia Symphony Orchestra (Scell). Columbia MS 6194. (Stereo & Monaural)—Two of Mozart's most popular piano concertos are coupled in technically flawless performances. The combination of Robert Casadesus at the keyboard and George Szell on the podium has been a successful one for Columbia, commercially as well as artistically, on previous releases of Mozart concertos. This new coupling doubtless will follow suit.

CLASSICAL LP's

★★★ MODERATE SALES POTENTIAL

★★★ SCHUBERT: DIE SCHONE MULLERIN

Peter Pears & Benjamin Britten. London OS 25155. (Stereo & Monaural)—Truly fine performances of the Schubert song cycle by Peter Pears and Benjamin Britten. Pears sings the selections with taste and feeling, aided by Britten's fine accompaniment. A very interested, if limited, audience will want this set.

★★★ DE FALLA: DANCE NO. 1 FROM "LA VIDA BREVE"; TURINA: RITMO-COREOGRAPHIC FANTASY; ALBENIZ - SURINACH: RONDEMA, JEREZ; LAVAPIES

L'Orchestre Radio-Symphonique de Paris (Surinach). Monitor MFS 382. (Stereo & Monaural)—This release is highlighted by the Turina ballet work and orchestration by Carlos Surinach of three works from Albeniz's "Iberia" that had not previously been arranged from their keyboard form. The short de Falla item is a standard item but none of the others is otherwise available on disks. They are all highly listenable works that will be of strong interest to those who like music in the Spanish idiom. Bright sound and effective stereo.

★★★ PROKOFIEV: CONCERTO NO. 2; TCHAIKOVSKY: SERENADE; MELAN-COLIQUE; SAINT-SAENS: HAVANAISE

Leonid Kogan, Violinist, State Orchestra of the USSR (Kondrashin). Monitor MC 2055—The fine Soviet violinist Leonid Kogan plays three works of which the nearly lyrical Prokofiev concerto is the most important. The brilliant "Havanaise" and the serious Tchaikovsky work are two shorter but popular works for the violin. Kogan gives them all virtuoso performances. The Prokofiev work was issued earlier by Monitor in a different coupling, with Richter playing the Bach Concerto No. 1 on the piano. This version will appeal to violin fans.

★★★ SURINACH: CONCERTO FOR ORCHESTRA; ALBENIZ-ARBOS: NAVARRA; GRANADOS-REGNIER: ORIENTAL, ANDALUZA, RONDALA

L'ORCHESTRE Radio-Symphonique de Paris (Surinach). Monitor MFS 384. (Stereo & Monaural)—Carlos Surinach conducts the premiere recording of his "Concerto for Orchestra," and it proves to be a colorful and exciting work that manages to be intensely Spanish in feeling without the real use of Spanish-type music, through adroit use of rhythm and color. It should attract much comment. The three Granados selections are orchestrations from his "Danza Espanolas" for piano. "Navarra" is one of the best known of all Iberian compositions. The combination of works typified by the creative Surinach work makes this an interesting release.

★★★ HARRIS: ELEGY AND DANCE; DIAMOND: THE BELLS OF PAUL KLEE; BERGSMA: CHAMELEON VARIATIONS; LEES: PROLOGUE, CAPRICCIO AND EPILOGUE

Portland Junior Symphony (Avshalomov). Composers Recordings, Inc. CRL148 — A collection of contemporary American compositions played most capably here by the Portland Junior Symphony, under the direction of Jacob Avershalomov. The Bergsma "Variations" and the Lees "Prologue, Capriccio and Epilogue" are bright pieces handled with spirit. Attractive cover should help the album's appeal to contemporary music followers.

★★★ RABBITT: COMPOSITION FOR FOUR INSTRUMENTS; COMPOSITION FOR VIOLA AND PIANO; BAVICCHI: TRIO NO. 4; SHORT SONATA FOR VIOLIN AND HARPSICHORD

Various Artists, Composers Recordings, Inc. CRL126—Composer's Recordings continues its worthwhile task of presenting works by contemporary American composers with this new disk. Milton Babbitt and John Bavicchi are the featured composers and their works are played to advantage here, as they have received performances. The disk is sponsored by the American Academy of Arts and Letters and the National Institute of Arts and Letters. Both Babbitt and Bavicchi won the 1959 Award winners. These four compositions, in the modern classical idiom, will interest contemporary music fans.

★★★ HANDEL: MESSIAH

J. Clifford Welsh, Organist; The Masterwork Chorus (Randolph). Design DCF-3051. (Stereo & Monaural)—An ambitious production and one that has definite quality. The Masterwork Chorus is now well known in New Jersey music circles, as are conductor David Randolph and organist Clifford Welsh. Soloists comport themselves with distinction. The boxed packaging also contains a leaflet on the material and its composer. Much competition exists, of course, but the aspect of "compatible stereo" can be a plus factor. Better impact could have been achieved had the set been prepared in time for the Christmas selling period.

JAZZ LP's

★★★★ STRONG SALES POTENTIAL

★★★★ WEST SIDE STORY

Cal Tjader. Fantasy 8054. (Stereo & Monaural)—A highly polished and feelingful musical representation of "West Side Story" is this latest LP by Cal Tjader. The music has been specially arranged by Clare Fischer and his work is particularly in tune with the original. Since Tjader is foremost in the Jazz and Afro-Cuban areas, there are healthy touches of both in this set, but there also are wide touches of swing and French horn writing. "Cool" and "America" are good examples of the former. "Maria" is fine example of the latter. Set is being offered, for a limited time, at $3.98 (stereo) and $2.98 (mono) retail price.

★★★★ CAMELOT

Andre Previn and His Trio. Columbia CS 8369. (Stereo & Monaural)—The score from the new Broadway musical "Camelot" forms the latest vehicle for pianist Previn and his two Jazz cohorts Red Mitchell (bass) and Frank Capp (drums). It's a very sensitive affair with Previn gracefully ranging in tempo and mood to match the caprice of the Lerner and Loewe score. Previn's improvisations are thoughtful on ballads ("I Loved You Once in Silence") and he does unique things on "What Do Simple Folks Do" which is taken at a three-quarter time swinger. Set should score with those who have grown accustomed to the Previn trio Jazz touch.

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1	1	1	1	HE WILL BREAK YOUR HEART, Jerry Butler, Vee Jay 354	11
2	3	4	19	SHOP AROUND, Miracles, Tamla 54034	7
3	21	15	5	LAST DATE, Floyd Cramer, RCA Victor 7775	11
4	13	6	4	ARE YOU LONESOME TONIGHT, Elvis Presley, RCA Victor 7810	6
5	22	26	29	WONDERLAND BY NIGHT, Bert Kaempfert, Decca 31141	4
6	2	2	2	LET'S GO, LET'S GO, LET'S GO, Hank Ballard and the Midnighters, King 5400	13
7	12	24	6	SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME, The Drifters, Atlantic 2071	14
8	15	12	16	FOOLS RUSH IN, Brook Benton, Mercury 71722	6
9	9	8	7	GONZO, James Booker, Peacock 1697	6
10	8	9	8	MY GIRL JOSEPHINE, Fats Domino, Imperial 5704	8
11	7	7	11	GEORGIA ON MY MIND, Ray Charles, ABC-Paramount 10195	15
12	6	5	10	NEW ORLEANS, U. S. Bonds, Legrand 819	10
13	5	10	13	DON'T GO TO STRANGERS, Etta James, Prestige 180	7
14	4	3	3	STAY, Maurice Williams, Herald 552	15
15	14	13	9	CRY, CRY, CRY, Bobby (Blue) Bland, Duke 327	13
16	—	18	12	A THOUSAND STARS, Kathy Young, Indigo 108	7
17	17	25	—	I IDOLIZE YOU, Ike & Tina Turner, Sue 735	3
18	—	—	—	(WILL YOU LOVE ME) TOMORROW, Shirelles, Scepter 1211	1
19	—	21	14	NORTH TO ALASKA, Johnny Horton, Columbia 41782	6
20	11	16	26	RUBY, Ray Charles, ABC-Paramount 10164	4
21	27	—	—	PLEASE COME HOME FOR CHRISTMAS, Charles, Brown, King 5405	2
22	10	11	15	TODAY I SING THE BLUES, Aretha Franklin, Columbia 41793	11
23	18	17	23	HAPPY DAYS, Marv Johnson, United Artists 273	4
24	29	—	—	DON'T BE CRUEL, Bill Black's Combo, Hi 2026	10
25	30	—	—	EXODUS, Ferrante & Teicher, United Artists 274	2
26	—	22	20	ALONE AT LAST, Jackie Wilson, Brunswick 55170	6
27	20	19	18	AM I THE MAN, Jackie Wilson, Brunswick 55170	7
28	—	—	—	THE SLIDE, Google Dunn, Reed 134	1
29	28	29	—	BYE BYE BABY, Mary Wells, Motown 1003	3
30	—	24	19	MY HERO, Bluenotes, Value 213	7

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SPECIALTY LP's
★★★★ STRONG SALES POTENTIAL

INTERNATIONAL ★★★½

★★★★½ REMEMBER GERMANY, VOLUME 7

Willy Schneider, Fiesta FLP 1289.—Willy Schneider does 12 tracks here that must be of unusual value for the German-born. Large ork and chorus make a fine background on most of the tracks, of which "Heimatlied," "Bergiches Heimatlied," and "S' Ist Feierabend" are typical. Set was recorded in Europe.

SPECIALTY LP's
★★★ MODERATE SALES POTENTIAL

SPECIALTY ★★★

★★★ THE FAITH OF LINCOLN

Dickson Hall, Morris Janes, Jo Graham and the Wandering Minstrels. Strand 1008—An interesting product wherein the narration presents key remarks by Lincoln, given in audio form by the voice of his public. The spoken word, however, is fragmentary; the bulk and solidity of the album is reflected in the songs sung by Dickson Hall, Morris James, Jo Graham and the Wandering Minstrels—songs which Lincoln probably knew. The performances are good, and include "Across the River," "Rock of Ages," "I'm a Pilgrim," etc. There are 14 songs.

GERMAN Newsnotes

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group has written the German lyrics for "Mule Skinner Blues." Tune was recorded by **Peter Alexander**, and **Bill Ramsey** singing in **Dean Martin** with **Dean Kiddie** singing "Just in Time."

TALENT TOPICS: Bill Ramsey, former GI and now a recording and film artist here, has signed an exclusive contract as a disk jockey with **Radio Luxembourg** . . . **Freddy Quinn** has caused quite a stir with his new autobiography which is profusely illustrated. . . . **Bobbejaan**, who hit with "Ich Steh' an der Bar und Habe Kein Geld" (A Bar With No Beer), and who popularized the hillbilly style here, is going to Nashville where he will record country material and folk songs. . . . **Sve-Danes** Trio has helped many former members of his combos to make a start of their own. At present one more, the well-known sax player, **Frank Jensen**, has assembled a quintet and is getting off to a good start with a New Year's tee-off in a nightclub in Southern Sweden, followed by February stand at the "La Visite" nightclub, in Stockholm. **Frederik**, also a graduate from Ausmann's units, is also in Sweden, at Lorensberg Cabaret, in Gothenburg, with his show band.

★★★ SCHOOL BOOK FOR DODS

Bob Brown. Regent MG 6103.—This is a thoughtful specialty disk, of value to all who own a dog and of interest to all potential dog owners. The script by Bob Brown, noted author of dog stories, is narrated by James Ringo and tells how to choose a dog, how to train a dog, travel hints, feeding schedules, etc. Sound information, well presented.

INTERNATIONAL ★★★

★★★ REMEMBER HOLLAND

Various Artists. Fiesta FLP 1294. — Recorded by a number of fine artists in the Dutch tongue, the set includes "Ik Sin In Wacht," "Voor Jou," "Schlieflied," and "Jouw Handen." A good small continental ork and chorus assist the singers. Set was recorded in Europe.

★★★ REMEMBER LEBANON

Wadih Asfari & Nadia Salem. Fiesta FLP 1290 — Those interested in music of the Levant have it here — with vocals. The material includes 12 performances by varying artists, all recorded in Lebanon. A dancer in Eastern garb—and not much of it —is on the cover.

SPOKEN WORD ★★★

★★★ KRAFP'S LAST TAPE (By Samuel Beckett)

Donald Davis. Spoken Arts 768.—Samuel Beckett's "Krapp's Last Tape" has been running off-Broadway in New York most successfully for the past season. The story of an old, dying man, ruminating over his life, has been recorded here with fidelity, with Donald Davis as Krapp, the part he starred in on the stage. The entire action of the play—sound effects, etc., has been faithfully recaptured, and Davis' performance is excellent. Students and fans of the theater will be interested in this well-produced set.

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Allentown Retains Harris and Leidig

Gate Revenue Up; Grandstand Gross Second Only to Rogers' 1959 Visit

ALLENTOWN, Pa.—William T. Harris Jr., has been re-elected president of the Lehigh County Agricultural Society, operator of the Allentown Fair. In the annual election December 14 in the fairgrounds' Agricultural Hall, Harris was unopposed for a second term.

Other officers who will serve in 1961 are Dr. T. M. Ritter, first vice-president; Harvey W. Muth, second vice-president; Robert Moyer, third vice-president; Clarence Siegfried, fourth vice - president; Philip H. Storch, secretary; Edward G. Leidig, treasurer; Harry R. Dubbs, librarian; Robert F. Good, chemist; Alvin Butz, geologist and Joseph Gackenbach, forester.

A change in the by-laws was approved by stockholders, creating directorships in each of the six counties adjoining Lehigh County. When approved by the Lehigh County Court of Common Pleas, the society, for the first time, will have directors from Bucks, Berks, Schuylkill, Carbon, Montgomery and Northampton Counties. This change recognizes an increasing area-wide aspect of the fair.

Leidig, general manager, reported that the 1960 Allentown Fair's outside gate income was $49,216, an increase of almost $6,000 over 1959. Grandstand income of $68,618 was the second highest in the fair's history, exceeded only by 1959 when Roy Rogers starred all week.

Robert R. King, chairman of the executive committee described the innovations during the past year, including increasing the fair to a nine-day exposition, a Sports, Vacation and Boat Show, and a closed-circuit television championship fight.

Progress on construction of the branch bank of the Lehigh Valley Trust Company, being erected on the grounds, was described by attorney Gene D. Smith, and Mr. Gackenbach outlined the details of the reforestation program now in effect on the grounds. Almost 300 stockholders attended the annual day-long session.

Knoxville's Auditorium Estimate Up

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.—According to Mayor John Duncan, the James White Memorial Auditorium here will cost closer to $5 million than $4 million as originally planned.

It was noted that the city will need $500,000 to acquire and prepare parking lots around the downtown coliseum, and some $300,000 for equipment. Citizens long ago voted the other funds in a referendum.

Mayor Duncan said the auditorium is scheduled to be completed and ready for opening in late summer, 1961.

Detroit Auto Show Signs Cobo for '62

DETROIT — Cobo Hall was awarded the National Automobile Show for 1962 by the Automobile Manufacturers' Association. No show is to be held in 1961. The highly successful show here in October claimed about 1,400,000 people—nearly five times the figures for any previous show.

Trade Show Growth Traced by Smadbeck

NEW YORK—More than $4.5 billion will be spent on over 4,500 trade shows and expositions in 1961, according to Arthur Smadbeck, president of the New York Coliseum. He pointed out that established trade and public shows are growing in size, and many new ones are being created as well. This development is said to be part of a continuing upward trend.

In 1940, according to Smadbeck, approximately 900 U. S. expositions accounted for an expenditure of a half-billion dollars in displays, exhibits, space, advertising, and other costs. By 1956, the figure rose to 1,000 exhibits, generating a $3 billion expenditure. In 1960, nearly 4,000 exhibits in this country were successfully presented at an approximate cost of $4 billion.

The continued expansion of exhibitions as a mass market medium will be greatly stimulated by renewed efforts to accelerate our national economic growth rate, and also by intensified domestic and international business competition, according to Howard G. Sloane, the Coliseum's managing director. He said:

"Expositions offer each exhibitor the unique opportunity of meeting all prospective customers at one time and in one place, representing considerable savings in money and manpower and traveling around the country or world in order to maintain sales contacts.

"International expositions, both in the U. S. and abroad will gain in size, scope and importance, according to Sloane. He said the general effort to increase exports would involve greater participation by American manufacturers at international fairs throughout the world. At the same time, the role of international fairs in the U. S. will assume added importance as a means of maintaining a healthy balance of trade among nations, and as an effective method for improving relations within the family of nations. As an example, he cited a local case:

"International expositions, such as the U. S. World Trade Fair held at the New York Coliseum for the fifth consecutive year, from May 3-13, prove the inherent value of these international business and cultural exchanges. Each year it attracts substantially larger numbers of business and trade visitors, along with new and highly impressive displays from both the economically advanced and newly developing nations."

Nat'l Dairy Congress Names Telleen Mgr.

WATERLOO, Ia. — Maurice Telleen has been named secretary-manager of the National Dairy Cattle Congress here to succeed Norbert J Kash, who resigned to enter private business. The new appointment is effective January 1.

Telleen has served as assistant manager of the exposition since July, 1959. The 1961 show is scheduled for September 30-October 7.

President Singhiser Appoints Chairmen of 17 NAAPPB Committees

LOUISVILLE — Appointments of committee chairmen for the new year were announced last week by NAAPPB President Jack Singhiser. He and NAAPPB Executive secretary John S. Bowman had conferred at here earlier about the assignments.

Singhiser said that a bulletin being mailed to park association members here shortly would invite them to volunteer for membership on any of the committees. He said he was eager to include members not heretofore active in association work so as to complete the cross-section desired for committees.

Bowman called attention to the fact that the program of work committee also is charged with operation of the public relations program. A separate public information committee will handle other phases of publicity but it also will serve as a consultant group to the program of work and public relations committee. Membership of the committees will overlap to a degree.

The committees and their chairmen and vice-chairmen include:

Resolution: — Paul Huedepohl, chairman; Adrian Ketchum, St. Louis, vice-chairman.

Safety—Joseph Fowler, Disneyland, Anaheim, Calif. chairman; Marvin Staton, Springlake Park, Oklahoma City, vice-chairman.

Attendance — Robert Pearce, F. W. Pearce Corp., Detroit, chairman; R. J. Kilcullen, Playland, Rye, N. Y., vice-chairman.

Exhibit Awards—Robert Guenther, Olympic Park, Maplewood, N. J., chairman; Dudley Humphrey, Euclid Beach Park, Cleveland, vice-chairman.

Finance—William B. Schmidt, Riverview Park, Chicago, chairman; Ed Schott, Coney Island, Cincinnati, vice-chairman.

Government Relations—Harry J. Batt, Pontchartrain Beach Park, New Orleans, chairman; Edward J. Carroll, Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass., vice-chairman.

Kiddieland Program and Services—W. H. Watson, Peppermint Park, Houston, chairman; Ferd Clemen, Pee Wee Valley, Cincinnati, vice-chairman.

Insurance—J. K. (Jack) Macdonald, Idlewild Park, Ligonier, Pa., chairman; Julian Norton, Lake Compounce Park, Bristol, Conn., vice-chairman.

Young Executives Social Activities—Fred McFalls Jr., Dallas, chairman; John Batt, Pontchartrain Beach Park, New Orleans, vice-chairman.

Location and Exhibit—James Johnson, Playland Park, San Antonio, chairman; Jack Ray, Belmont Park, San Diego, Calif., vice-chairman.

Music Royalty—John L. Coleman, Riverside Park, Indianapolis, chairman; Robert E. Freed, La-

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NAAPPB Publicity Fund Tops $29,000

Reaches 58 Per Cent of $50,000 Goal As More Parks Pledge Contributions

CHICAGO — Subscriptions to the proposed $50,000 Public Relations Fund of the National Association of Amusement Parks, Pools & Beaches have reached $29,450 Executive Secretary John S. Bowman announced Friday This is 58 per cent of the goal and represents a relatively small number of pledges, Bowman said.

President Jack Singhiser urged all NAAPPB members who have not as yet subscribed to do so at once so that the fund can be completed no later than January 15.

"We want to give the go-ahead signal to Communications Counselors, Inc., our public relations agency, by that date so that they can get to work and have our program in operation on a nationwide basis before the opening of the 1961 park and pool season," he said.

Singhiser expressed gratification over the widespread acceptance the members have given to the suggested formula of one tenth of one per cent of yearly gross receipts.

Singhiser said these are the NAAPPB members who have made pledges to date:

Olympic Park, Maplewood, N.J.; J. M. Hutchinson, Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass.; Ron-Bol, Inc., Seaside Heights, N. J.; Bob-Lo Amusement Park, Bob-Lo Island, Ont.; Jimmie Thompson, City Park Kiddieland, Alexandria, La.; Riverview Amusement Park, Indianapolis; Silver Beach Amusement Company St. Joseph, Mich.; Belmont Park, San Diego, Calif.; Whalom Park, Fitchburg, Mass.; Roseland Park, Canandaigua, N. Y.; Springlake Park, Oklahoma City; Lincoln Park, North Dartmouth, Mass.; Dorney Park, Allentown, Pa.; F. W. Pearce Corporation, Detroit; Lagoon Resort, Salt Lake City; Crystal Beach Transit Company, Crystal Beach, Ont.

Elitch Gardens, Denver; Riverside Park, Agawam, Mass.; Irving Rosenthal, Palisades, N. J.; Playland Amusements, Inc. (Pontchartrain Beach), New Orleans; Coney Island, Inc., Cincinnati; Riverview Park, Chicago; The Humphrey Co., Euclid Beach, Cleveland; Santa Cruz Seaside Company, Santa Cruz, Calif.

Al Martin Agency, Boston; John Logan Campbell Insurance Company, Baltimore; Hershey Park, Hershey, Pa.; Lake Winnepesaukah, Inc., Rossville, Ga.; Fontaine Ferry Park, Louisville; Sunset Bay Park, Inc., Irving, N. Y.; Elmwood Park, Oklahoma City.

Kennywood Park, Pittsburgh; Cascade Plunge, Inc., Birmingham; Playland Park, San Antonio; Biloxi Gulfport Amusement Park, Biloxi, Miss.; Philipps Aquatic Club, Wanton, O.; Elmer E. Foehl, Amusement Concessions, Inc., Wildwood, N. J.; Idlewild Park, Ligonier, Pa.; Geauga Park, Aurora, O.; and Dreamland Park, Rochester, N. Y.

Barnes Pacts Chi Auto Show For 10th Year

CHICAGO—Barnes-Carruthers Theatrical Enterprises has again been awarded the contract to produce the stage entertainment at the Chicago Auto Show, Sam J. Levy & BC Exposition announced.

This marks the 10th consecutive year the office will produce the show at the event. This year the show is being held in McCormick Place, the new lake-front building.

Dates are February 17-26.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Paul Olson, co-owner and general manager of Olson Shows, has been named to the inaugural ball committee of Illinois' new governor, Otto Kerner. The event will take place here on January 9.

OREGON FAIR SIGNS DAY, BETTY JOHNSON

SALEM, Ore.—Dennis Day and Betty Johnson have been signed to headline the grandstand show at the Oregon State Fair here September 9 through 9, Howard Maple, fair manager, disclosed.

They will be supported by Antone and Curtiss, comics, and Victor Julian and His Dogs. According to the contract signed with General Artists Corporation in Beverly Hills, Calif., the show will be produced by George Burke. Yet to be signed are a line of girls, the emsee and orchestra.

According to the contract for the guarantee-show, there is a provision that none of these performers will appear in any other show within a 300-mile radius of the State Fair during the six months preceding to the opening of the fair.

FAIR-EXHIBITION MANAGEMENT

Texas Assn. Completes February Meeting Sked

TEXARKANA, Tex.—The program for the 34th Annual Convention of the Texas Association of Fairs and Expositions, February 2-4, in Dallas, will again feature the sharing of ideas and experiences.

Included in the two-day program are such topics as "Entrance and Exit Control," "Of Interest to Women," "Improving Livestock Exhibits at Fairs," "How an Exhibit at the Fair Builds Business and Good Will," "How We Sell Exhibit Space," "Tootin' Your Own Horn" (publicity), "Youth Programs for Your Fair," "Gospel Singing," "Our New Coliseum," "Special Features at Our Fair" and "I. Q. Zoo Pulls Paying Patrons."

Convention headquarters will be at the Baker Hotel and registration will be from 2 to 6 p.m., February 2, and from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., February 3.

To encourage attendance the Association is again offering an expense paid trip to the 1961 International Association of Fairs and Expositions convention in Chicago. The winner, who may be any official representative of any Texas fair or fair council registered for convention attendance, will be chosen at the final convention luncheon in a drawing from the names of those with 10 per cent attendance at all meetings during the convention.

PNE Maps $408,000 Improvement Program

VANCOUVER, B. C.—The Pacific National Exhibition has mapped out a $408,000 winter works program.

Work will start as soon as provincial and federal governments endorse the program, PNE officials said. Projects planned include complete renovation of the Pure Foods Building at a cost of $167,000; perimeter landscaping, $40,000; construction of a self-contained year-round police academy for $125,000 if city council agrees; returfing Empire Stadium $22,000.

The $40,000 for landscaping is a first step in a five-year program designed to transform Exhibition Park and its acres of parking lots into vistas of shade trees, shrubberies and turfed picnic areas.

Returfing of the stadium is expected to begin as soon as possible. Pure Foods Building renovation involves $109,000 for materials and $60,000 for wages. Officials say the building would be a year-round complement to the Pacific Showmart.

Permanent State Event Planned for Hawaii

HONOLULU—The possibility that the Hawaiian State Fair may be taken over by the State was spotlighted here when the sponsoring Jaycees apparently okayed the switch. The latter organization has operated the annual event since 1946.

G. Walter Glass, former general manager of the National Orange Show, San Bernardino, Calif., has been here for several weeks to study the proposal of a permanent State fair.

Charles Hanamo, Jaycee vice-president, said he thought it was a good idea and added that his organization would continue to participate on a smaller scale.

It is figured here that a permanent site may result. At the 1960 fair the Jaycees grossed $240,000 with a net of $25,000 to $30,000.

Lethbridge, Alta., Event Shows Net of $11,798

LETHBRIDGE, Alta.—The Lethbridge and District Exhibition showed a net profit of $11,798 on the year's operations, about $80 below the 1959 mark. Helping to make up the profit figure were federal, provincial and civic government grants totaling $4,300.

Revenue from rentals, storage, interest earned, city grants, baseball tournaments and cattle, sheep and swine sales was $12,194. Exhibition profit amounting to $25,686 brought the total profits to $37,880. Exhibition profit this year was about $4,000 lower than the 1959 profit.

Wages of $9,005, attractions costing $24,693, prize money of $7,317, and general administration expenses of $5,604 brought the total exhibition expenditures to $46,620.

Revenue from ticket sales, concessions, entry fees, advertising and the midway amounted to $69,106, and provincial and federal grants were $3,200, for a total revenue of $72,306.

In his presidential report to the 15th annual general meeting, Sven Erickson reminded that city council had renewed the lease on the grounds on a 30-year basis and that plans were going ahead for a $450,000 livestock pavilion.

Erickson said the structural steel contract had been let and construction tenders will be called early in 1961. It is expected the building will be finished in June so that it can be used during the exhibition and rodeo July 5 to 8.

Because there had been some disappointment with the 1960 grandstand show, Erickson said, both the midway and grandstand show in 1961 will be provided by Siebrand Bros. Circus and Carnival.

Secretary-Manager C. E. Parry reported that $6,952 was spent on grounds and building improvements, including renovation of the front of the grandstand.

MILLER GRADS SPRING TWO SHOP UNITS

NEW YORK — During the past month two new shopping center units have been announced by people who toured with the Paul A. Miller Circus, which appears to be spawning its own competition. The Stein Bros. Circus was debuted by Willie and Hy Stein in the Tampa area over the holidays. Now Shoppers' Fair is reported by Wally Blake, who gained the Miller unit. Blake, operating out of El Centro, Calif., is featuring actor talks, rides and other units, opening in San Diego in January. Prof. Bill Mayo's former medicine show troupe is featured.

Pearly Houser, Tent Veteran, Dies in Ohio

WAVERLY, O.—Charles Pearly Houser, 87, life-long veteran of circus business and an old hand at handling big tops, died here November 30, according to word received last week.

Houser had been on big top canvas with shows for nearly 70 years. He was with the Angling Circus in 1897 and he toured Europe with the Buffalo Bill show at the turn of the century. Off and on over the years he worked with tent factories, including U. S. Tent, then of Chicago. About 10 years ago his career was described in an article in the Saturday Evening Post, and in that period he was with the Aspen, Colo., music festival to manage their special tent. In more recent seasons he had been with the Al G. Kelly & Miller Bros. Circus.

Houser is survived by a brother at Indianapolis.

Inks Robertson

MERCEDES, Tex.—Dale Robertson, of the TV show, "Tales of Wells Fargo," has been signed as the feature act for the Lower Rio Grande Valley Livestock Show Rodeo. Dates are March 22-27.

Robertson will also play the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo February 10-19.

PRUETT DAY BOWLS OVER GA. FAIRMAN

MACON, Ga.—By the time Joe Pruett's birthday rolled around Saturday (24) it was no a secret to nobody, once daughter Mrs. Richard Gardett got "Joe Pruett Appreciation Day" rolling. Pruett, secretary of the Georgia Association of Agricultural Fairs, was given a thick leather book crammed with congratulatory letters which had been solicited in advance, without his knowledge.

There were 611 letters from 34 States between the covers, from Senator Hartsfield, Governor Vandiver, May Wilson, fair and attraction people, Exchange Clubs and many other friends. He is secretary of the Georgia Farm Equipment Association and 16-time secretary-treasurer of the Georgia State Exchange Club, in addition to operating an advertising and publishing business. According to the testimonials, Pruett is 21, 39, or 70 years old.

ARENA AUDITORIUM NEWSLETTER

Chicago 'Holiday'

"HOLIDAY ON ICE" played four days in a special engagement at the International Amphitheater in Chicago at Christmas time. The date had been penciled in for a long time and was played with a minimum of local promotion. The show, making its first Chicago appearance, was virtually unheralded. Only a few newspaper ads and no other publicity were used. Dates were December 25-28, which fitted tightly between those for the ice's engagements at Green Bay, Wis., and Des Moines, Ia. The four performances were largely sold out as Christmas benefits, with several charities and similar organizations taking part. Holiday's appearance at the Amphitheater gives Chicago a full array of three acts for the season. Ice Capades comes in April and Ice Follies in September. . . . Indoor auto races are being staged at the Amphitheater three times this winter. The first one, in December, did not draw the expected attendance. . . . The Amphitheater will have the Plant Maintenance and Engineering Show January 23-26. In February it will have the International Heating and Air Conditioning Show for its 30th annual run. This one is the biggest of all in the series and for the first time the show management had to taper off on sales efforts as space grew short.

200 Apply for Vancouver Auditorium Manager Post

NEARLY 200 APPLICATIONS have been received for the position of Queen Elizabeth Auditorium manager at Vancouver, B. C. This is almost double the number submitted for the job when it was filled in December, 1957. The first manager, John Panrucker, was fired, effective last September. He has since been charged by police with theft and dealing in forged checks.

The new applications are from Canada and the United States. City personnel director B. H Peterson and auditorium committee chairman Reg Rose will screen the applications. The new manager is expected to take over the position in March. The job pays $729 to $849 a month, depending on qualifications. Meanwhile, Panrucker faces his ninth appearance in police court, without any indication of when he will go on trial. He was remanded with bail continuing at $10,000.

San Antonio, Houston, Dallas Walk-Around Shows Tell Plans

THE HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL Trade & Travel Fair will move next year from the Shamrock Hilton Hall of Exhibits to the Sam Houston Coliseum. Porter F. Parris, president of the fair, said the move will allow a four-fold increase in the size of the event. The seven year old fair has always been held at the Shamrock Hilton Hall of Exhibits.

San Antonio's national Food and Beverage Show, the first major show of its type in Texas, will stage a five-day run, January 18-22, at La Villita Assembly Hall, it was announced by the Grocers Manufacturers Representatives Association. The Big South and Central Texas attraction will show consumers progress in the food industry. . . . Several new exhibitors are already contracted and "more than half the display space" already is sold for the 14th annual Dallas Southwest Sports, Boat and Vacation Show, Manager Martin P. Kelly of United Sports and Vacation Shows, announced here. Dates are April 8-16 in the Automobile building at Fair Park. Sponsorship continues with The Dallas Morning News and its radio and television affiliates, WFAA, WFFA-TV. Beneficiary is municipal Marsalis Zoo of Dallas. . . . Proposed as a new feature of the 15th annual Southwestern Home Show at Dallas March 18-26, is a Regional Builders Exposition and Conference. The show is to be held for the second time in the new Dallas Market Center.

Both the Home Show and Builders Exposition will be open to the public, and a Builders Conference segment limited to industry attendance only is announced for March 21-23 in convention rooms of the nearby Marriott Motor Hotel. Home builders from Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and New Mexico will be invited to the regional trade exposition and conference. . . . After exhibiting four years in the Dallas Memorial Coliseum, the fifth annual Southwest Boat Show sponsored jointly by the North Texas Marine Trade Association, The Dallas Times Herald and KRLD-AM-FM-TV will be moved to the new Market Hall Dallas. Dates are March 3-12 and space is all on one floor 148 by 446 feet, according to Joe Bulowski, president of Southwest Boat Show, Inc., producers of the regional trade show open to the public. . . . Initial plans for a 1961 Southwest Sporting Goods Trade Fair were reported as exhibitors held a Charter Exhibitor's Party at the St. Anthony Hotel. Work on new displays to assure visitor interest in the second Trade Fair early next fall has already begun, exhibitors were told.

Rex Allen Signs

HOLLYWOOD—Rex Allen has been signed to appear at eight events in 1961, with a number of others pending, Mickey Gross, personal manager, announced.

Already signed are appearances at the Hereford Quarter Horse Show, Odessa, Tex.; Houston Fat Stock Show, Houston, Tex.; Red Bluff Bull Sale Show, Red Bluff, Calif.; San Angelo (Tex.) Rodeo; Jaycee Rodeo, Phoenix; Calgary (Alta.) Exposition and Stampede; Stoughton (Wis.) Fair), and the Pikes Peak or Bust Rodeo, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Swenson Inks Tulsa Fair

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. — Art Swenson, owner-manager of Swenson's Thrillcade, announced that he has again signed a contract with the Tulsa State Fair.

The stunt organization will give two shows on Saturday, September 30, and three on Sunday, October 1. This will make the fourth consecutive year the Swenson show has played the fair.

Ringling TV Program Set; Alter Route

NEW YORK — Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus will be televised in May, using a tape that will be made again this year during the Greensboro, N. C., date. Arthur Godfrey is scheduled to be in this year's TV program.

Meanwhile, the show's pre-New York route has been changed. It will open for the show to play Nashville, February 16-18; Greenville, S. C., February 20-22, and Winston-Salem, N. C., February 24-26. These dates replace Charleston, S. C., and Huntsville, Ala.

The Washington and Haddonfield, N. J., stands have been transposed, making it Washington March 14-19 and Haddonfield, March 23-26. The New York Garden date is March 31 thru May 14.

Cotton Bowl Parade Uses Gray Calliope

DALLAS—Gil Gray Circus furnished acts for two events in the Dallas area during the holidays and garnered considerable favorable publicity.

A four-column photo took nearly half the Dallas Times Herald front page Wednesday (28) showing Johnny Hentzel and Jack the six-pony hitch to the circus calliope wagon "practicing" for participation in the Cotton Bowl Parade Saturday (31) prelude to the big football bowl game January 2. Gray's calliope was the only circus part of the parade.

Acts appearing Friday (23) at the Lone Star Showman's Club's annual Christmas party given at Fair Park for some 300 children invited by the Shriners, Masons included elephant, pony drill, unicycle and unsupported ladder acts. Karlis Pedersen directed Gil Gray's six ponies, Johnny Herriott worked the pony drill, and the Riding Zoppi's (Joe, Peggy, Yolanda, Ricko, Roger and Denise) worked their unsupported ladder act, not having room for baseback riding. Mell Hall had his White Kids unicycle act including Irvin, Karman, Jimmy and Nini Hall.

Reading Opens USAC Sprints On March 26

READING, Pa.—Reading Fairgrounds will open the 1961 USAC sprint car race season in the East, Sunday afternoon, March 26.

Race director Russ Moyer said the track was allocated four sprint dates at a recent promoters' meeting in Indianapolis. Others are May 7, September 17 and October 22.

Call Meet on Merchandise For Inaugural

WASHINGTON — The concessions committee for the 1961 presidential inaugural will meet with all interested concessionaires at 2 p.m. Tuesday (27), according to Chairman Joseph L. Rauh Jr. The meeting will be held in Inaugural Committee Headquarters, the Liberty Loan Building.

License applications for vendors of inaugural souvenir merchandise may be filed with C. T. Nottingham, director of the Bureau of Licenses, Room 116, Daffan Building. Applications must be accompanied by three samples of each item of merchandise to be sold.

Additional information may be obtained from Charles V. Hughes, executive director of the Inaugural Concessions Committee, Liberty Loan Building.

Weyburn, Sask., Okays $100,000 Fair Building

WEYBURN, Sask. — Decision was made at the annual meeting of the Weyburn Agricultural Society to go ahead with plans for an all-purpose building on the grounds to cost more than $100,000. Construction may start next spring.

The building would be used for farm bureau and 4-H camps and other agricultural purposes in the summer, and for curling in the winter. Tentative plans are for it to be 90 by 203 feet.

The society reported a successful year, with profits of $3,000 for 1960.

No decision was reached on whether or not harness races will be continued at the summer fair.

Edgar Pettit was re-elected president, C. B. Metheral was re-appointed manager, and Mrs. Louie Zabel continues as secretary-treasurer. Other directors are A. Andrews, P. Erh and D. Turner. Bill Hollinger and Bob Armit were named honorary directors.

CIRCUS TROUPING

By TOM PARKINSON

IT'S UNDER WRAPS UNTIL the first of the year, but announcement will come that a circus operated by the Ringling organization will play South American arenas this spring. That recalls the annual talk of some seasons ago that Ringling would go to Venezuela after the Cuban date it used to make. All that changed when the show moved indoor and played a winter route. The new show will be separate from the regular R-B show. . . . John Cundy, having sold his present acts to Kelly-Miller Circus, is talking now of breaking a new group of mixed cats and working them from horseback.

At the recent Fort Worth Shrine Circus the opening display had two flying return acts, Mahkas and Jacobins. Joe Hedgpeth, who had to drop out here, raises the question of when a show last opened with flying acts and suggested it might have been the 1911 Ringling Bros. Circus at Chicago. The Jacobins opened All Ringling, put the Clarkonians, the Flying Nelsons and a third act on first so the audience would be sure to see them. With the flying acts in their usual final place, some of the audiences left early and missed them. . . . Karl Wallenda leaves January 5 for a visit to Europe. He will go to London, Berlin, Hamburg and Paris in a three-week period.

From the Ringling-Barnum show, Chuck Burnes writes that Bob and Ed Keck gave a party at LaTosca Trailer Park for eight showpeople. Later they went to Paris for Christmas. Burnes caught the Sells & Gray Circus and visited Eddie Daniels and Sonny Wallace. Daniels is doing Christmas dates in New York were Victor Julian's Dogs, Four Kelroys, Joe Phillips and Smokey the Horse, Six Cycling Frielanis, the Wazzan Troupe, Franklin Salomon, Bimbo Burch, Slim Jones and Joe Bastle's band. Also in the New York area for the holidays were Dick Bartstow, Stephanie Thompson, Louis Nagy, Morton Kroos, John Haley, Ward Hall and Harry Leonard.

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Ed and Helen Wilson have returned home to Bloomsburg, Pa., after playing Georgia with Scott Bros. Circus. . . . Faith King and her dogs played Christmas dates for Dorothy Boyle's agency out of Columbus, O. . . . Stanley Paul spent the holidays in Boston with his relatives. . . . Jack W. Burke, contracting agent for King Bros. Circus the past two seasons, is at his Baldwin, N. Y., home. He will be setting dates for the new Wallace Bros. Circus in 1961. . . . Estelline Bliss swung swallows in New York after a long junket thru the West that took her to visits with Bernard Gimmarvuca, her daughter Melba and family, with friends at the Nu-Pike in Long Beach, with show folks in Los Angeles, and with her daughter Ramona. Now in New York, she's with her son, who is at Hubert's Museum currently.

Mrs. Jack Bell, wife of the long-time head of the United Billposting Company in Detroit, is returning to the hospital for renewed treatment of a serious illness. . . . John St. Peter was re-elected president of the billposters union in Detroit. Other officers are George E. Goddard, vice-president; Bill Wood, secretary-treasurer; Albert J. Haley, -chairman of trustees, and Robert Perkins and George Hutchinson, trustees.

Acts working Christmas shows in the San Francisco area included Enrico, Bert Hanson, Don Barnes, Craigs Chimps, and Hugo Marquardt. . . . Frank H. Thompson, Kansas City, Mo., chairman, wrote a column of recollections of the Gollmar Circus for the Lancaster, Wis., newspaper. . . . Jimmie Kay reports cold weather from where he has been booking Canadian dates.

By Gosh's Circus crashed Louisville society columns with photos of a society party with a circus theme. The party had picked up circus posters from stores and these appeared in the news items. . . . Ethel Siegrist, widow of Joe Siegrist is with the Anserphone Service at Kansas City, Mo., and would enjoy hearing from old friends. She lives at 1400 East Leonard.

Sam Wand started Fort Worth, Tex., Christmas time when he bought several 24-sheet boards to say happy holiday and wait for the Shriner Circus. The manager carried a picture of one of the boards and declared it was the only time he gave anyone else top billing. The name of his wife, Evelynne, was in larger type than his.

Among those at the Circo Atayde in Mexico City currently are the George Hanneford Jr. riding troupe, the Guy Darmon cycling troupe, the Gutis, and the Pedrolas, Celeste-Pancho & Co.

V-E-K Signs Power-Light Exhibit Pact

NEW YORK — V-E-K Associates, Inc., has been named to create the design concept, theme and programming for Power & Light Exhibit, Inc., a new corporation formed to conduct the investor-owned electric industry's participation in the New York World's Fair. The industry's plans to participate in the fair were announced by the Edison Electric Institute earlier in the year.

V-E-K is an alliance of Vandenburg-Linkiller Associates, Ehasco Services and Walter Kiddie Consultants. M. M. Vandenburg, president, describes the organization as being "equipped to assume the complete task of dramatizing an image, product and service for any client or co-operative group desiring to participate in the World's Fair."

BUFFALO,—A late addition to the list of Eastern fair meetings is the Western New York Association of Fair Managers, scheduled for the Hotel Lafayette here on Saturday, January 21. Mrs. Mildred Merow of Little Valley, secretary-treasurer, says the program calls for meetings at 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. in the Clinton Room, with lunch in the Ellicott Room.

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Kelly-Miller Maps Changes

HUGO, Okla.—Al G. Kelly & Miller Bros. Circus next season will build an all-new performance, stressing wild animals, and also will have a new lighting system for both indoors and outdoors. There will be a number of new spec floats, a new metal banner line, and several other additions.

These developments are part of owner D. R. Miller's plan to observe the show's 25th annual tour.

AMUSEMENT PARK OPERATION

Park Planned in Delaware; Jersey Shore Groups Busy

A 1,000,000 SHOPPING and amusement center has been started at Price's Corner near Wilmington, Del., by Albert A. Gilbert, realtor and developer. The store will be ready for early spring and the amusement features will be completed during the summer. It will include a 1,200-car drive-in theater, an amusement park, a skating rink and a restaurant. . . . The Greater Wildwood Hotel and Motel Association executive committee discussed how the association might help enhance the economy of Wildwood, N. J., by promoting it as a convention site. The meeting was particularly interested in drawing convention business to the city in the early spring and after Labor Day. Members agreed that a convention manager "to be appointed at a fair salary to solicit these conventions" should be considered by the city commissioners. . . . Nathaniel C. Smith, mayor of Ocean City, N. J., was appointed vice president of the New Jersey Resort Association by the group's president, Fred W. Chatman. Mayor Smith, who has been instrumental in the organization's fight to maintain the Pennsylvania-Reading Seashore Line's passenger service, replaced Carl Youngberg of Cape May. . . . Requests for State aid totaling $1,401,136 to combat beach erosion were submitted to New Jersey officials by 57 county and municipal officials. Under the State program, funds allocated by the State must be matched by the municipality. Thus the cost of projects proposed by the municipalities would total $2,802,272. Major requests include Jersey City, $226,000; Asbury Park, $150,000; Allenhurst $150,000; Atlantic City, $250,000, and Bayonne, $100,000.

Disneyland Stages Festival As Part of Holiday Events

DISNEYLAND'S CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL, which annually presents colorful holiday customs from around the world, drew an attendance of 23,420, up 1,449 from 1959, the first year reviewed at Anaheim, Calif., Sunday (18) as part of the "Parade of All Nations." "The Parade of the Toys" was featured for eight days more starting Christmas Day and continuing thru New Year's Day. The Disneyland carolers, dressed in Dickens era costumes and singing holiday songs, and the Disney characters—Mickey and Minnie Mouse, Chip and Dale, the Mad Hatters and others—were featured during the holidays. The park will be open daily thru January 8.

Longer Monorail to Link Disneyland With Hotel

ANAHEIM, Calif. — The Disneyland-Alweg Monorail system will be extended at a cost of $1,900,000 by June and link the park with the Disneyland Hotel, Walt Disney, head of the park, and Jack Wrather, Disneyland Hotel president, announced here Wednesday (28).

The length of the Monorail will be extended from its present three-quarters of a mile to nearly 2½ miles. The new link will be routed on Disneyland property along Harbor Boulevard.

Hotel guests will be able to board the new Monorail at a station to be erected at the Disneyland Hotel and be carried to the park at a top speed of 45 miles per hour. Since the Disneyland-Alweg Monorail opened in June, 1959, it has carried 3,855,600 passengers.

Disneyland Hotel also is inaugurating an expansion program to cost upward of $4,000,000. The projects include a 10-story addition providing another 144 rooms, boosting the total to 450; a sky roof restaurant and lounge, a separate exhibition and banquet hall increasing the hotel's present capacity from 1,300 to 2,500, and a $500,000 golf center, including an 18-hole par-three course and a 50-station driving range. Construction of the new projects is already underway with the Monorail to be completed first.

Gas Firm and C. of C. Honor Eddie Carroll

AGAWAM, Mass. — Eddie Carroll, owner-manager of Riverside Park, has hit a civic "daily double." He has been selected for a "salute" at the annual New Year's Breakfast Club meeting of the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce at Hotel Sheraton-Kimball on Wednesday and about 400 are expected at the affair. The award is being made for his win of the first prize "Don Dazey Award" for program presentation at the recent NAAPPB convention in Chicago.

In October, Carroll was named "Neighbor of the Month" by the house organ of the Springfield Gas Company. Every month the utility company selects a civic leader for the award and title. A special pamphlet is included in the monthly bills of the company, and distribution amounts to over 50,000 mailings to homes and places of business in Western Massachusetts.

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goon Resort, Salt Lake City, vice-chairman.

Nominating—C. K. (Jack) Macdonald, Idlewild Park, Ligonier, Pa., chairman; A. B. Gurtler Jr., Elitch Gardens, Denver, vice-chairman.

Program of Work and Public Relations Committee—Edward L. Schott, Coney Island, Cincinnati, chairman; Jack Carroll, Coney Island, side Park, Agawam, Mass., vice-chairman.

Membership — J. W. (Patty) Conklin, Conklin & Garrett, Ltd., Brantford, Ont., chairman; Marvin Staton, Springwater Park, Oklahoma City, vice-chairman.

Banquet and Social—Jack Gurtler, Elitch Gardens, Denver, chairman; Jack Singhiser, Fontaine Ferry Park, Louisville, vice-chairman.

Ladies Social Committee—Mrs. J. H. Singhiser, Fontaine Ferry Park, Louisville, chairman; Mrs. Robert Ott, Dorney Park, Allentown, Pa., vice-chairman.

Ind. Tax Rate Set for Rides

INDIANAPOLIS—The Indiana State Board of Tax Commissioners has announced the facilities and inventory of amusement parks will be assessed at one-third of cash value for local tax purposes. To affect taxes payable in 1963, the new formula will be used in the evaluation of such property in 1962.

All machinery or equipment used in the operation of amusement parks is subject to the tax.

Moose Jaw Ex Loses $2,285

MOOSE JAW, Sask. — The Moose Jaw Exhibition showed a net loss of $2,285 on the year's operations, it was reported at the annual meeting.

J. C. Poston, newly elected president, said some $1,200 of this was attributable to expenditures not incurred in 1959 and that the accounts had overlapped into the new term before being paid.

Expenditures in 1960 totaled $54,226, including administration's $7,929; grounds and buildings $13,600; rodeo $7,626; exhibition $23,560.

Income, chiefly from the exhibition and grants, totaled $51,941. Gate admissions and season tickets realized $8,687, and the grandstand shows $4,621. The rodeo, on three of the four days, brought a revenue of $5,143, and the Highland Games on the first day netted $357.

Midway revenue was $4,124, rentals $2,625, entry fees $1,563, and provincial and city grants $16,894.

Decision has been made to extend the rodeo to four days in 1961, and chuckwagon races may be featured. Exhibition dates are July 12-15.

Consideration will be given to renovating the track and the fairgrounds for chuckwagon races and possibly for horse racing.

Fireworks, dropped in 1960, may be added to the 1961 program.

Feeling of the directors was that sweeping changes should be made in the set-up of the annual exhibition, although these may not be fully accomplished in time for the 1961 show.

Mrs. Lillian Crawford has been appointed secretary-treasurer, replacing Mrs. Doris Bjornson, who had held the position since February, 1959.

Savannah, Ga., Names Maddox Fair Prexy

SAVANNAH, Ga.—The Coastal Empire Fair Association, elected J. Arthur Maddox as president for the ensuing year. William L. Hunter is the retiring president.

A. Ellis Kitchens was the only new vice-president elected. Vice-presidents who will continue in office are E. K. Bell, E. R. McClellan and H. C. Morrison.

Hunter Leaf was re-elected general secretary of the association; Robert S. Parrish, corresponding secretary, and Lamar W. Davis, accountant, also were re-elected.

Charles F. McMillan succeeded Maddox as treasurer.

Mortgage Holder Buys Magic Mount Site at Tax Sale

DENVER — Joseph Bachman, holder of a first mortgage on the land occupied by Magic Mountain, has purchased the tax title to the 600-acre site at a Jefferson County delinquent tax sale.

Bachman's bid of $12,845 represented the amount of the delinquent taxes plus 6 per cent interest.

The bankrupt $3,000,000 amusement park was given permission to reorganize under federal bankruptcy laws December 15. U. S. District Court Judge Alfred A. Arraj appointed Ray Jenkins trustee to reorganize the park's enrporate structure.

Judge Arraj has set February 10 as the date for the first hearing concerning progress in the park's efforts to stay in business.

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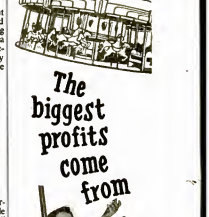
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ROLLER RUMBLINGS

By AL SCHNEIDER

THE NAMES of 25 operators, representing 15 roller rinks, have been added to the membership roster of the Roller Skating Rink Operators' Association of America, it was announced recently at RSROA Detroit headquarters by Charles E. Cahill, secretary-treasurer. The operators and the rinks they represent are Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Stahl, Pioneer Roller Corral, 5820 Cypress Avenue, Carmichael, Calif.; Bob Fornasier and Markie Marden, Gildrome Roller Rink, 1236 Juarez Street, Napa, Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Knitter, Grand-View Roller Rink, 13015 15th Street, Grandview, Mo.; David and O. B. Guynn, Holiday Skating Rink, 2828 Carson, Fort Worth; Leo A. Gallagher, Roll-A-Rink, 5121 North Armenia Avenue, Tampa; Horace V. Wood, Tiny's Skating Rink, 1325 Jefferson Highway, New Orleans; Fred Rendfrey, Mount Holly Roller Rink, 50 Main Street, Mount Holly, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Ladwig, Crystal Beach Rink, R. R. 2, Beaver Dam, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Ross, Sandwich Roller Rink, Route 34, Box 64, Sandwich, Ill.; Mr. and Mrs. George Fryer, Roll Arena, Route 5, Rochester, Ind.; Bruce Ahhouse, Silver Skate Rink, 22 Seventh Avenue, S.W., North St. Paul; Mr. and Mrs. Anton Krancevich, Aliquippa Roller Rink, 1410 Brodhead Road, Aliquippa, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kennedy, Roll-A-Way Rink, Broadway and McArthur, Shawnee, Okla.; Parkins and Doc Ekstrand, Holiday Roller Rink, 6948 Pine Street, Tulsa, Okla., and Paul L. Aldridge, Wheel Roller Rink, Mohawk Park, Tulsa, Okla.

Constructed in 1903 as a roller rink, the Alhambra, a three-story building on the Howard County courthouse square in Kokomo, Ind., was destroyed by fire December 9. The building, occupied by a large retail furniture store, was leveled after tar applied to the roof ignited. Damage was estimated at $500,000.

Twin City Arena, Elizabeth, N. J., and Hackensack (N. J.) Arena continue a cat-and-dog fight for first-place honors in the America on Wheels inter-rink racing league, Northern Division. The latest standings show Twin City with a total of 128 points and an eight-point lead over Hackensack. Well down in the standings are Boulevard Arena, Bayonne, N. J., 76 points; Mount Vernon (N. Y.) Arena, 76; Fairlawn Park (N. J.) Rink, a non-AOW rink participating in league racing, 64; Levittown (N. Y.) Arena, 24, and Capitol Arena, Trenton, N. J., 14.

Victor Deuback, owner-operator of Cedar Hill Roller Rink, Dallas, has announced completion of remodeling and enlarging project at the rink. Additions include a new lobby which affords plenty of room for skaters and spectators. Other features are a sales room, workshop, snack bar and skate room. Also added is a party room for private parties on regular session nights.

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ANGUS—Robert M., 65, a director of the Golburn Agricultural Society since its start in 1940 and vice-president of the organization for several years, recently in Tisdale, Sask. Survived by his widow, a son, two brothers and a sister.

BARTON—Col. T. H., 79, for many years the president of the Arkansas Livestock Show at Little Rock and a well-known oil millionaire-philanthropist, December 24 en route to an El Dorado hospital after apparently suffering a heart attack. In 1938 he accepted the presidency of the Arkansas Livestock Show and until he surrendered the office in 1959, he had held it every year but one since first accepting it.

CLARK—Hubert L., for the past five years a member of the William T. Collins Shows, recently in Ocala, Fla., of a heart attack. Burial in Ocala.

CONLINN—Gil, 67, secretary-treasurer of the (Continued on page 46)

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Tampa Club Treats 1,300 Youngsters

TAMPA—The Greater Tampa Showmen's Association played Santa Claus to almost 1,300 youngsters at its 12th annual Christmas party here during the holidays.

The children ate their way through 3,500 hot dog sandwiches, drank 2,800 soft drinks and devoured 3,200 cups of ice cream and hundreds of cup cakes. Close to 1,200 hats, with each youngster's name embroidered, were also passed out.

Eight major rides were erected for the event and the moppets made like kid's day at a major fair. Numerous free acts were on hand and carloads of gifts, toys and games were passed out to the young guests.

Harry Gaughn, who inaugurated the event a dozen years ago, again headed up the party committee. Assisting him were Earl Maddox and Ernie Wenzik and several hundred members who worked for days in advance of the big day.

San Francisco Club Skeds Banquet-Ball

SAN FRANCISCO—Final plans for the annual Show Folks of America banquet and ball to be held Sunday evening (8) at the Sheraton-Palace Hotel here have been made, Alex Freedman, committee chairman, said. Freedman was appointed by SFA President Earl Conard to handle the details.

The banquet and ball will mark the half-way point of the "Calendar of Events." Starting on Saturday night (7), the past presidents will be honored, with Al Rodin chairman of this party. The Memorial Services will be held at 1 p.m. on Sunday (8) at Showmen's Rest in Olivet Memorial Park.

Officers for 1961 will be installed at Monday (9) ceremonies in the clubrooms.

Hale Signs Neb. Fair

LENOX, Ia. — Hale's Shows of Tomorrow has signed to provide the midway attractions at the Cass County Fair, Weeping Water, Neb., W. T. (Tubby) Hale, manager, announced.

This will make the 14th consecutive year at the fair, one of the larger Nebraska street fairs. Hale reported the show has also recontracted all fairs and celebrations played in 1960.

Hot Springs Fem Club Plays Santa

HOT SPRINGS — The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Hot Springs Showmen's Association held its Christmas party for the patients at the Lakewood Convalescent Home on Sunday (18). This is an annual affair under the supervision of Mrs. Elsie Powell.

Pupils of Miss Rose Marie Stein, dancing teacher, provided the entertainment. Among them were Stormy Gail and Wayne Hazen. Christmas carols were sung, after which the gifts were distributed to the patients. Gifts were also taken to the Home for the colored.

Christmas baskets containing food and toys were delivered to a number of needy families in Hot Springs by the club members. The men and women work together on this project.

Dinner was served in the clubrooms on Christmas Day for all members and visiting showmen. After dinner, toys were given to all the children present.

Plans for a New Year's party were made by Mrs. Jackie Wilcox and her committee.

Dallas Club Hosts Moppets For Christmas

DALLAS — Over 200 area youngsters had a merry Christmas as the result of the annual party held here Friday (23) by the Lone Star Showmen's Club of Texas.

Held on the fairgrounds there were six rides in operation by Katie Little and associates and a Turn Pike erected by Tom Wells Jr.

Each of the youngsters, gathered by the local Salvation Army, ate their fill of midway food including hot dogs, soft drinks, cotton candy and ice cream.

They were then presented with a stocking filled with fruit, nuts and candy and five big Christmas gifts.

Entertainment was provided by members of the Gil Gray Circus which included elephants, ponies, llamas and clowns. In addition, Officer Friendly, a local TV puppeteer, and Ebo Burke and his trained dogs were on hand.

Additionally, the club, aided by the Salvation Army, distributed 100 bushel baskets of food to needy families.

S & W Pacts Bloomfield, Ia.

HOT SPRINGS — Jay Stanley and Tyle Wells, co-owners of S & W Shows, announced they will provide the midway attractions at the 1961 Davis County Fair, Bloomfield, Ia.

Also set for the '61 route are the Joplin (Mo.) Home Show which is held on the downtown streets. Winter quarters are already open and much work is being done on rides and equipment.

Two new major rides are scheduled for delivery here by mid-April.

CARNIVAL CONFAB

William (Bill) Dyer, owner-manager of Dyer's Greater Shows, is recuperating in an Aurora, Ill., hospital, where he's been confined for several weeks. He's scheduled to be released soon and is anxious to get back to his Bald Knob, Ark., home to ready the show for the coming season. . . . F. Percy Morency is back home after a month's confinement in a Dallas hospital for treatment. . . . Mr. and Mrs. H. N. (Doc) Capell held what was practically an open house over the holidays in Coolidge, Ariz. In addition to their three sons and their families, many other relatives came in for Christmas and added up to a total of 56 guests. Sons Bill and Jack left the day after the holiday to pick up a Twister ride in Albuquerque.

Raymond G. Hull of F. H. Bee Shows, writes from Fort Walton, Fla., that he has again booked his rides with the Mobile (Ala.) Knights of Columbus, for the Mardi Gras doings there February 2-14. . . . William Kaplan, former concessionaire, now a Prichard, Ala., jeweler, reports that the Prichard Jaycees provided the popcorn and candy apple concessions at the Scott Paper Mills employees Christmas eve party. . . . Charles H. Hodges is back playing Mobile shopping centers after Christmas dates in Ozark, Ala., and Biloxi and Gulfport, Miss. Hodges will also have rides and concessions at the Mobile Mardi Gras.

J. George Loos is recovering from an arthritis attack at his Laredo, Tex., home. He'll again have the midway attractions at the George Washington Birthday Celebration in Laredo, February 18-March 5. . . . Fred Baake, concession agent and pitchman, escaped serious injury recently when his car was badly damaged in a five-car crash in Miami. . . . Top doctors now have hopes of saving partial vision in Mrs. Walter B. Fox' right eye. Her left eye is okay. Visitors at the Fox apartment in Mobile during the holidays included Al Kunz, Charlie Critchlow, Earl Baeder, Steve Crawfield, A. J. Pedneau, Charles H. Hodges, Harry Allen, Mrs. Jack Jones and J. N. Beard. *Allen Calaway*

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Notes from the Mississippi Gulf Coast: Wintering in the Gulfport area are the Del Mans, the S. Kradens, the D. Curtises, the Abe Frank, Al Stormstrom and the Evans and Little families. Paul Miller played Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, which will annual engagement recently to fair business. Charley Hodges is playing shopping centers with rides, as are the Bible Brothers Shows. Edward (Big Teddy) Field, former boss canvasman and show owner, has left the road to set up the Gulf Canvas Repair Service in Gautier. Eddie Davis' park in Biloxi has added a new merry-go-round. Davis is busy preparing his rides for next season.

Rio Grande Valley news by James Chapman: There are four carnivals in the valley, the new show owned by Sullivan and Chamberlain and the Santa Fe, Roy Harvey and Fiesta shows. Bobby and Bernice Briggs spent Christmas with the former's mother in Oklahoma. . . . Clarence Hagen sack closed with Fiesta to spend the holidays with friends in Arkansas. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Frank Culver, Frank Jr. and Ginger Putterson are back from Acapulco, Mexico, after attending the wedding there of the Culvers' son, Skippy. . . . The Pat Pattersons are back from a Las Vegas vacation and have re-entered the fireworks business. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller were recent visitors on the Fiesta Shows. . . . Mr. and Mrs. Ted Wilson have joined Fiesta with their concession. . . . The Al Mosters report okay business with their candy apples in Harlingen. . . . Dick Proctor has joined the Fiesta Shows' staff. . . . Sandy Lee has been hosting lots of visitors in his trailer, parked at the R & R Club, La Feria.

A & J Shows had a good week recently on the Cannon Street YMCA lot in Charleston, S. C. Line-up included Ferris Wheel, Octopus, Scrambler, Roundup, Rollplane, ponies, three kid rides, Side Show and 18 concessions. Jerry Lipko handled the office while his partner, Austin Deninger, left for Philadelphia to open a nitery, the Submarine, at 11th and Pine streets. Frank Harrison had his wheel with the show in Charleston. The show will remain out all winter.

Bob Gardner writes from El Paso that Mrs. Ted Vega, daughter of William Bejolano, Eastern concessionaire, recently threw a birthday party for friends to celebrate her acquisition of a driver's license. . . . Al White, promoter, has been in Veterans' Hospital, Louisville, for several weeks following surgery.

Among guests attending a recent surprise birthday party for Col. Lew Alters at his home in Reading, Pa., were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. Lew Alters Jr., Sandy Alters, Susan Alters, Mrs. Marla Hess, Shirley Hess, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Standuzox, Earl Shay, Red Dougherty, D. Hill, Tex Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Spatuzza, Mrs. Dotty Lachen, Carmen Del Rio, Mary Goldberg and Abe Kohn. . . . Willie M. Johnson advises that he expects to be back next year with O. C. Buck Shows as billposter. *Al Schneider*

DETROIT — The Michigan Showmen's Association will present gold life membership cards to two members who have headed up the annual Christmas Party for underprivileged children — Sam (Pork Chop) Feinburg and Charles Sherman, both veteran concessionaires. The presentation will be made at the annual meeting on January 9, together with the formal installation of the newly elected officers.

MIAMI CLUB ELECTS NEW 1961 SLATE

MIAMI—The slate of 1961 officers, headed by Bernard (Bucky) Allen, World of Mirth Shows' concession manager, as president, was elected at the Miami Showmen's Association meeting on Monday (19). They will take office after the annual banquet and ball. The social affair is Monday, January 9, and installations will be held in the clubrooms the following night.

All incoming officers were present as Marty Weiss, executive secretary, cast a single ballot symbolic of a unanimous vote. Harry (Buster) Westbrook, incumbent president, was honored at a party Tuesday (20). Allen's fellow officers are vice-presidents Max Sharp, Newell Taylor and Harry Schreiber; Phil Cook, secretary; Dave E. Fineman, assistant secretary; Alton Pierson, treasurer, and William J. Tucker, assistant treasurer. The directors' list was published November 28.

THE ABOVE PHOTOGRAPH SHOWS just a portion of the 1,300 children entertained and hosted at the annual Christmas party held by the Greater Tampa Showmen's Association in Tampa. The entire facilities of the clubhouse and grounds were thrown open for the event which included gifts, acts, refreshments, toys and rides on eight major rides erected for the party. Harry (Irish) Gaughn chairmanned the party for the 12th consecutive year.

433 Attend Ontario SLA Banquet-Ball

TORONTO—A re-check of figures showed that there was an official attendance of 433 at the annual banquet and ball of the Ontario Chapter of the Showmen's League of America, officials disclosed.

Representatives of federal, provincial and local governments were present. Dancing lasted from 11:30 p.m. to 3 a.m. the following morning.

Four members were awarded gold life membership cards for bringing in 50 members. Harry Shore, Jim Conklin, Ozzie Sommerville and Kin Rifkin.

A number of shows and organizations were cited for help in raising a total of $5,057 at jamborees and other activities. Included were World's Finest Shows, $1,448; King Shows, $1,000; Conklin Shows, $1,119; Olson Shows, $1,000; Royal American Shows, $500; Allied Toys & Enterprises, radio-phono-television set valued at $300; Ganz Bros., $500; Bazaar & Novelty, $500.

3 New Fairs Among 20 for Portemonts

GANTT, Ala.—Route for Johnny's United Shows now shapes up with exactly 20 fairs, it is reported, and three of them are new. Reported signed by the Portemont family are Paducah, Ky., Carmi, Ill. and Lebanon, Tenn.

Fair opener is June 26 and the fina' date is November 11. Along the route this year will be three substantial street celebrations and the show's annual July Fourth date in Brazil, Ind. Most engagements are repeats from the 1960 route. Two Air Force installations will be played on the way Northward.

Johnny's United will be represented at the fair meetings in Springfield, Ill.; Indianapolis, Atlanta; Nashville, and Montgomery, Ala. A 10-tide unit under direction of Ted Woodward will operate at the Mardi Gras in Mobile, Ala., starting February 2.

San Antonio Cele Expects 27G Revenue

SAN ANTONIO — The Fiesta San Jacinto Association will receive the largest share of the $27,000 anticipated in revenue from the carnival and concession rights, the Fiesta San Antonio Commission has announced.

The association, which had requested $23,292, will get $10,200 —or 37.8 per cent of the total income—Tom L. Powell, commission president, said.

The Battle of Flowers Association will receive $9,000 for its parade, and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas will receive $237 19 for the Pilgrimage to the Alamo.

The board of directors alloted $6,802 for general over-all Fiesta expenses, including street decorations, good will local advertising, insurance, salaries and administrative expenses

A fund of $200 was set up for street dancing, to be under new sponsorship next year. The association formerly sponsored street dancing. Sponsorship for this spring has not been decided.

A reserve fund of $519,81 was also established.

Liberty, Tex., Fair Elects

LIBERTY, Tex.—Trinity Valley Exposition, serving Liberty and Chambers counties, set its dates next year for October 11-14, appointed Irvin Mizell of Liberty as carnival chairman and elected various officers, but postponed selection of a new two-year-term president until a January directors meeting. Outgoing president is G. C (Bud) Chambliss Jr. of Anahuac. Manager is Steve Davis of Liberty, who has done more year on his two-year term.

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CLUB ACTIVITIES

Pacific Coast Showmen's Association

LOS ANGELES — Hunter G. Farmer was named installing officer with the secretary casting the one vote to elect them without opposition at the regular meeting Tuesday (27). The installation ceremonies will be held in the club rooms Tuesday (31 at 8 pm.

The meeting was conducted by Steve Vaughn, president. On the rostrum were J. B. (Red) Dauer, first vice-president and president-elect; Sam Dolman, second vice-president and first vice-president-elect; Harry Phillips, treasurer, who succeeds himself in 1961, and H. D. (Bob) Matthews, secretary for six terms.

Dolman reported Bob Clark and Gus Dzenick patients in the General Hospital. Kenneth Payne, Earl Stolz, and C. E. (Candy) Moore are recovering from recent illnesses.

The Christmas day dinner was reported a successful with 160 in attendance.

President Vaughn called upon the following for remarks: Wally O'Connor, Paul Trent, George Brecht, Dan Fugazy, and Frank Kirsch of Seattle.

Show Folks of America

SAN FRANCISCO—The regular meeting was called to order by President Lou Lewis. Attending officers included Treasurer Charles Porter, Financial Secretary Oscar Mellon, Corresponding Secretary Lola Cox, and Recording Secretary Bonnie Townsend.

Arrangements were announced for the Christmas Day dinner. Earl Sheridan who has been chairman of this event for several years, again headed the committee.

Special honors were bestowed on Mike Krekos with unanimous approval of the membership. He was made permanent tiler, the only member ever to be so recognized.

The banquet and ball is to be held January 14 at the Sheraton Palace Hotel. Alex Freedman is chairman.

Members mourned the passing of Ernest J. Brockway who was buried in Show Folks Rest.

Heart of America Showmen's Club

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—The regular weekly meeting was drew a large attendance and the banquet and ball committee reported that all was in readiness for the annual event. The floorshow was to be furnished by the Mykdred Lyons Dance Studio and the Milo Finley Ensemble the music.

Memorial services were held at the clubrooms on Sunday (18) and a number of the members joined in a memorial service at Mt. Cemetery.

On Friday (23) the 1961 officers were installed. President-elect Russell L. Benner has named his committees for the year and all are looking forward to a big increase in membership in 1961.

Theme Unit Hit by Fire In Florida

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. — Fire caused damage of several thousand dollars to the main building at Casoer's Aligator Farm Wednesday (22). The tourist attraction is located on U. S. Highway 1 about four miles north of this city.

Destroyed portion of the property housed the gift shop, a fruit stand, living quarters and considerable merchandise. Animals and reptiles on the premises were unharmed.

THE FINAL CURTAIN

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Circus Fans' Association, at Hartford, Conn., Saturday, December 24 He had been an officer of the CFA for many years and was national president in 1956. He was assistant superintendent of the Medical Building in Hartford, and he was very active in Masonic activities. In World War I he was in the Naval Air Corps. Survivors include his widow, Eva, who was CFA treasurer when he was president, and a daughter, Mrs. Barbara Boske. Services were conducted on Tuesday, December 27.

HOUSER—Pearly, 85, veteran canvasman with many circuses, at Wheatly, O., November 30. (Details elsewhere in this section.)

HYATT—Chauncey, 70, founder of the Halogen Supply Company, dealing in beach and pool supplies, at Bensonville, Ill. Saturday, December 24. For many years he was active in the beach and pool activities of the NAAPPP. Prior to founding Halogen in 1939 he was a sanitary engineer with the Illinois health department for 10 years. Survivors include his widow, Lucille, and a daughter, Mrs. Lloyd Hubbard, whose husband continues the Halogen firm. Services were conducted at Bensonville and burial was at Walden, Wis.

JORDAN—Vivian Maral, 54, member of the Dal-ong circus family, at Sarasota, Fla., Memorial Hospital. December 18 of heart disease. She and her husband had worked as Johnny Jordan and Company and with the Eight Jordan Brothers. Her sons perform as the Jordan Brothers and as members of the Wallenda unit. Other survivors include her husband and a daughter.

KAPLAN—Max (Mulligan), 72, concessionaire, at Santa Monica, Calif., hospital following a brief illness. Funeral services conducted by the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association with burial in the Los Angeles Showmen's Rest Friday (30).

MILLER—Andrew, 88, one of the originators of the Calgary (Alta.) Exposition and Stampede, recently in a Toronto hospital. A former newspaperman, he was industrial commissioner of Calgary from 1910 to 1915. Survivors include his widow, Rosalie, and two sons.

OTIS—Si, 65, rodeo and circus performer with his trick mule, Abner, recently in Glendale, Calif., following an extended illness. Born in Dale, Wis., he had been a California resident for a number of years. He retired as a performer a few years ago and, prior to his illness, managed Mother Goose displays of harvyard animals at fairs and expositions. Survived by his widow and daughter. Graveside services at Pacific Coast Showmen's Rest, Los Angeles, Thursday (29).

PARKER—John M., 78, former president of the Kelliher (Sask.) Agricultural Society, December 20 in Watford, Ont. Survived by his widow.

SCHOEFKE—Mrs. Lena, mother of Mrs. Lowell Kriel, of the Kriel Family of circus acts, and grandmother of Richard Kriel, Mrs. L. S. Spaeth and Mrs. Phil DiGiuseppe, December 22 in DeWitt, Ia.

STIBAL—Ernest, son-in-law of Jay E. Gould, operator of the Jay Gould Circus, December 23 of a heart attack in a Glencoe, Minn., hospital. He played drums in the Gould circus band, and his wife, Gloria, played calliope. Surviving besides the widow are a son, Peter, and a daughter, Mrs. Leo Albrecht. Services December 26 in Saint Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Glencoe, with burial in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery, Silver Lake, Minn.

WHITMAN—Henry, 75, former traveling show porter and valet, December 18 at his home in Noblesville, Ind. At one time he was porter with the J. A Coburn Minstrels and also had served as valet for the late Frank Tinney, musical comedy star. He had also toured with the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus. His last connection was with the Rosalie Rush Players, dramatic stock company. Services December 21, and burial in Riverside Cemetery, Noblesville.

BIRTHS

TEACH— A son, James Willard, November 23 to Mr. and Mrs. James Teach in Richland Center, Wis. Father is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Teach, operators of the Emshoff Shows.

PCSA Goes Native At 'Huluau' Party With 300 Relaxing

LOS ANGELES—Members of the Pacific Coast Showmen's Association took on a South Pacific flavor for the first "Huluau" which was attended by nearly 300 members and guests here Saturday night (10).

In the decor of Hawaiian huts and Tiki gods the group feasted on Polynesian food specially prepared by the Ladies Auxiliary with Ruth Davis as chairman. Serving on her committee were Margaret Farmer, Elsie Kennedy, May Snobar, Helen Vaughn, Edna Dauer, Lucille Dolman, Peggy Forstall, Sally Short, Berta Harris, Betty Kent, Peggy Steinberg, Mickey Wexler, Clara Anderson, Betty Fricdenheim, Gloria Snobar, Mary Taylor, Leona Cook, Ethel George, Fay Prosser, Emilie Bailey, and Pauline Lang.

The festivities were highlighted by the awarding of the Cadillac to Charles Crouse, a member of the West Coast Shows.

Jack Kent emceed the event with J. B. Dauer, Eldon Short, Eddie Harris, and Joe Steinberg helping with the food and beverage servings.

B. C. Fair Seeks Okay On Dog Races

CLOVERDALE, B. C. — The Lower Fraser Valley Exhibition Association will ask the federal government to lift its ban on dog racing. Racing is planned for the Cloverdale fair next year if the ban is raised.

B. C. Fairs Association will make a similar request to Ottawa because of the need to boost fall fair revenues throughout British Columbia.

Jim Sullivan, secretary of the Lower Fraser Valley Association, said he could see no reason why dog racing was forbidden here. He said the United States had permitted the sport for the last 80 years.

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Missouri

Kansas City—Kansas City Boat, Sports & Travel Show (Municipal Aud), Jan. 27-Feb. 5.

St. Louis—St. Louis Boat, Sports & Travel Show (Arena), Feb. 17-26 Wendell Evans.

Nebraska

Omaha—Omaha Boat, Sports & Travel Show (Municipal Aud), Feb. 21-26. P. W. Dwyer.

New Jersey

Asbury Park — Jersey Coast Boat Show (Convention Hall), Feb. 18-26 Jerry Chiappa.

New York

Buffalo—Buffalo Boat, Travel & Sports Show (14th Armory), Feb. 18-26 Kasra E. McGrader.

Hempstead — Marine Recreation Show (Island Garden), Feb. 4-18. Russ Crandall.

New York—National Outdoor Expo. (Coliseum), Feb. 18-26 Sidney Penner and Jim Harley.

Rochester—Rochester Auto Show (War Memorial Aud), Jan. 26-Feb. 4.

Syracuse—Syracuse Auto Show (War Memorial Aud), Jan. 16-21.

North Carolina

Charlotte — Sportsmen's Motor Boat & Vacation Show of the Carolinas (Coliseum) Feb. 21-26 H. Van Horn.

Ohio

Cleveland—Mid-America Boat Show (Public Aud.), Jan. 21-29 Irving Gray.

Columbus — Ohio Sportsmen's Adventure Boat Show (Veterans Memorial Bldg.), Feb. 22-27 Thomas F. Shoup.

Toledo—Toledo Home Travel Show (Ohio Aud), Feb. 6-12 Will H. Tarlotff, 443 Jefferson.

Oklahoma

Oklahoma City—Midwest Boat, Sport & Travel Show (Fairgrounds), Feb. 3-12. Jack Wright, 4716 N.W. 47th St.

Oregon

Portland—Portland Boat & Sports Show (Pacific Int. Expo. Bldg.), Feb. 11-19. Jack Mellett.

Salem—Portland Boat, Travel & Sports Show (Armory-Coliseum), Feb. 17-26. Tom O'Loughlin.

Pennsylvania

Allentown—Allentown Fair, Sports, Boat & Vacation Show (Fairgrounds), Feb. 17-26 Harold Ewald.

Harrisburg—Pennsylvania Recreation & Sportsman's Show (Farm Show Bldg.), Feb. 8-11 John Ahlquist.

Philadelphia—Philadelphia Motor Boat & Sportsman's Show (Convention Hall), Feb. 24-March 4 Clinton W. Smallies.

Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh Sports, Boat, Travel & Vacation Show (Hunt Armory), Jan. 6-21 Paul H. Waters.

Rhode Island

Providence—Rhode Island Pet, Farm & Garden Show (Armory), April 8-8. Rhodes Exposition Co., Inc., 206 Crown Hotel.

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Texas

Dallas—South Texas Lamb & Sheep Expo., Jan. 16-21 James McKenzie, 421 N. 21th St.

Fort Worth—Southwestern Expo. & Pet Stock Show, Jan. 27-Feb. 5 Raymond K. Buck P O Box 150.

Houston—Texas Pet Stock Show & Rodeo, Feb. 22-March 5. Herman Engel, Sam Houston Coliseum.

Mineral Wells—Southern Birthday Celebration, Feb. 3-5 Jack Hunter.

San Antonio—San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo, Feb. 10-19 A. S. Johnson, P. O. Box 1369.

Virginia

Richmond—WLEE Home Show (Arena), Jan. 20-29.

Washington

Aberdeen—Betterliving Expedition, Feb. 24-March 2 Patrick J. O'Toole, Winthrop Hotel Seattle.

Tacoma—Betterliving Exposition, March 14-19 Patrick J. O'Toole, Winthrop Hotel.

Seattle — Seattle Boat, Trailer & Sports Show (Natl. Guard Armory), Feb. 6-13. Tom O'Loughlin.

Spokane—Spokane Boat Show (Interstate Fairgrounds), Feb. 8-12. Wally C. Vawter.

CANADA

Toronto—Canadian Boat Show (Automotive Bldg., Exhn Park), Feb. 3-11 Lorne M. Kelly.

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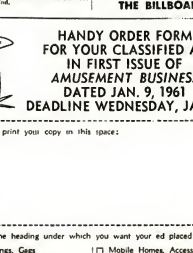

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ROUTE MANAGEMENT

Detroit Operator Outlines Formula For Successful Bulk Vending Route

By HAL REVES

DETROIT — Taxes and rising costs are the most important problems faced by bulk vending operators, but there is not too much the individual can do about either—so the practical operator concentrates upon analyzing and finding solutions for lesser but bothersome problems encountered in his route operation.

That is the philosophy of Michael Garden, a veteran operator in Detroit since 1926.

Garden was a part-time operator most of his business career. He worked at the Packard Motor plant for 33 years, until that company discontinued Detroit operations about five years ago, and now at 60, he is operating virtually full-time.

It has been a one-man business, like most bulk vending routes, so he is close to his problems.

He operates about 250 machines in about 100 locations, widely scattered. That wide geographic spread in an area about 25 miles across the city is a bit of a problem, but, he says, "I'd rather have them scattered—because the locations are good. Most places I have had for years—and they, in turn, refer me to others. This means a far-spread operation."

The wide spread results partly from Garden's own moves across town over the years and is an historic accident. Actually, he recommends, "the closer together your locations are, the less traveling time is required." But with good planning, he finds that he averages about 25 miles of driving daily.

The solution to a scattered route, he has found, is to solicit locations to fill in the route—to have a number of stops in the same area.

Multiple Machines

Small multiple locations offer better profits than single machines, which means much reduced time in transit. Most of his machines are penny venders—only a handful are nickel or dime units. His aim is three, but he'll settle for two in a spot—typically gum, peanuts, and pistachio or other nuts. He points out:

"You are bound to get a little revenue from the three combined. You may have to take a loss on one, but you can make it up on the others.

"The proper approach is necessary. First, you have to size up the man and the location, the kind of individual you are talking to. If he happens to be in a bad mood,

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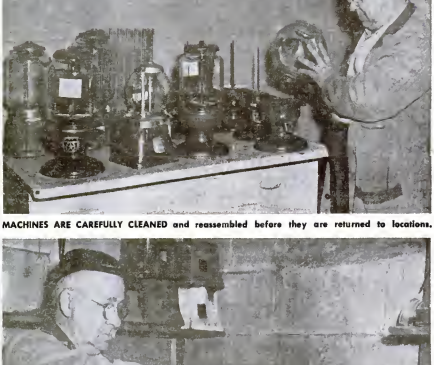

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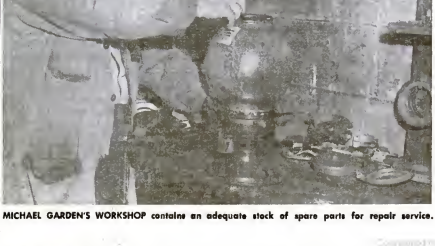

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5-Cent Cashew Nuts Pay Off

KANSAS CITY, Kan.—Picking a specific market, and applying the sort of merchandising methods which insure maximum attention to the machines has added a lot of additional revenue from cashews for E. C. Breeding, bulk route operator here.

Whereas most bulk operators have only a few 5-cent machines, Breeding has more than 250 such locations out of a total of 700 bulk stops. All of these vend cashews from one of two heads, and other charms or ball gum from the other. Every such location is in a garage, a service station, a muffler shop, brake repair agency or some such shop directly connected with automotive repair or service.

Breeding has attempted to use 5-cent machines for other products, almost invariably with failure. Cashew nuts, however, under his specialized program, have been eminently successful, primarily because, as Breeding puts it, "service station men like cashews."

Service Stations

Like the average operator who services filling stations, Breeding started out in every service station, primarily with the Spanish variety, and found that the turnover in every service station was several times what it was at any other point.

Frequently, his customers would ask him to install a 5-cent machine so that they could get a larger handful of peanuts without having to scratch up several pennies. This request was by no means limited to location owners and their employees, but came from motorists as well, idling away anywhere from a few minutes to hours while their automobiles were being serviced.

Breeding complied where possible, to the tune of some 80 machines, and then immediately found that the tail was wagging the dog. He had created a new problem for himself in that the 5-cent peanut machines emptied so fast that his servicing operations were more than doubled.

While mulling over the extra expense and hours problem which had arisen, the Kansas operator had an inspiration. Why not, he asked himself, instead of attempting to increase the size of the globes, vend a product which would yield a smaller bulk, and still retain the same popularity?

Cashews Are Answer

The logical answer, of course, was cashews — rich, meaty nuts, with a flavor which all men like, and which, even though vended in smaller amounts, provide plenty of satisfaction with a 5-cent purchase. Breeding found an excellent supply source for cashews, all top-quality, and experimented with a dozen of his prime locations. Results were immediate and satisfying. Many of the service station locations, in particular, reported themselves happier with cashews than the relatively sloppy peanuts, with large amounts of oil, salt and husk to contend with.

To insure location owner co-operation, Breeding employed a bit of psychology. He inferred to every location owner that the high-quality, top-flavor cashews which he had been using were somewhat more than tolerable, and asked for co-operation of the location owner in keeping the machines bright, eye-catching, and spotted where they would attract the most attention.

There was little or no resistance, to the point that Breeding's cashew vendors immediately began blossoming out alongside the stand at which service stations accept customer coupons, trading stamps or receipts, or even displays the cash register.

Since that time, the cashew stops have increased a hundred fold, and have become Breeding's number one profit source. He keeps a close eye on the amount of cashews vended per nickel, checking with retail prices in variety stores, candy stores and specialty shops such as delicatessens to make sure that every customer is getting his full nickel's worth. Because of the smaller quantity, the machines require refilling only at about the same rate of time as the penny machines, and there is thus no additional load, while return from the machines is at least five times as profitable as from the fastest moving penny machines.

"Cashews are strictly an adult proposition," Breeding said. "Where I have used charms in the opposite machine on each two-head stand, there is a disappointingly slow turnover, since few adults are interested in charms of any sort. If, however, I counterpoint the cashews with ball gum, particularly exotic flavors such as grape, cherry, lime, the ball gum moves rapidly, proving that the customer gets out a nickel for cashews and a penny for a ball of gum as a matter of habit."

Breeding would like to know whether more of his cashews are consumed by the employees in his locations, or by their own customers. Currently, he suspects that the ratio is 50-50, with maximum expansion potential lying in putting the machines outside in the weather where more service station customers can see them.

Detroit Op

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there is nothing that will take him out of it as quickly as a funny story. Once you start him laughing, he will forget his ugly mood and he receptive to any proposition you have to offer.

"Don't use high pressure just to get a machine in. If the location owner says a machine won't go there, you can almost bet on it—though there are exceptions.

"The clinching point in the general approach to a new location: the operator should have clean equipment to put in—something that is good-looking. And above all else, good merchandise to put in the machine.

"Appearance is 90 per cent of the sale."

Garden shows the owner where there is a corner that he is paying store rent for anyway—and it is returning nothing—so he might as well get a little revenue from a machine there.

New Locations

Finding locations that will fit into the existing route pattern is important. About 20 per cent of his new stops come by reference from his old customers—the rest by personal solicitation. He often

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Amusement Machine Makers Post Slim '60 Production Year

By KEN KNAUF

NEW YORK — Introductions of new amusement machine models hit their lowest ebb in probably a decade in 1960.

Producers unveiled a total of 77 new models compared to runs of over 90 the past two years and big 100-and-over totals in many of the past 10 years.

Although at first glance the 1960 results may seem to reflect a general apathy in the amusement branch overall, the practical reason for the decline in the totals lies elsewhere.

Very simply, it is the failure of manufacturers to come up with a really fresh idea in location games. Needed was an original, low-cost, legal machine which would boost play on location and send the plants churning once again.

Five-Balls Good

One category that kept pace with other years was the five-ball novelty game. Here, 21 new models were bowed, all by Gottlieb and Williams. It was the biggest total, as usual, of all categories for the year.

In-line pins, surprisingly, kept well above water through the year, posting a total of four new models compared to five in 1959 and a like number the year previous.

Ball bowlers, too, slid back only slightly, winding up with a total seven, compared to totals of nine each the past two years.

Shuffle bowlers resumed their downward trend—12 in 1959, nine in 1958—with just seven for 1960. Guns rebounded slightly with one above 1959's total of seven.

Big Upright Year

The upright game may best claim the title, "game of the Sixties," as it showed what might be a record run last year. According to our records, at least 14 new upright games came out in 1960 scene. Our estimate places that about 25 per cent ahead of 1959 and well in front of other years. With no definite legal interference in view, 1961 should be another banner year for these games. Uprights, of course, do not have universal acceptance, and this cuts into the sales and earnings potential they might otherwise enjoy.

A quarter of one-ball pin games—relatively new on the 1960 scene—were bowed during the year, but no new models in this class have appeared in recent months.

Kiddie ride machines cut a modest figure of three into the 1960 record book. This compares to runs of 10 and nine the two preceding years, and even bigger runs the years before. But here the figure fails to reflect the fairly stable and healthy state of the ride operating field.

Bounsers Fade

A few gems of the bounding-ball type were forthcoming in 1960 but appeal of these games apparently fell off during the year. Seven were bowed in 1959.

Again, as last year, only several

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Mills Cites Case for Operator

NEW YORK—Another log on the fire with regard to the operator-location ownership situation has been thrown in by Gordon B. Mills, head of Mills Sales Company, Ltd., pioneer coin machine firm.

The Mills letter referred to statements made by a leading coin machine executive to the effect that the operator be relegated to a service status, with the location owner maintaining title to the equipment. The letter follows:

"I have noted the remarks which are being made by industry executives and which are being printed in The Billboard for consideration and discussion.

"The sale of coin machines directly to the location owner by the manufacturer through his distributor or factory representative would sound the death knell of most manufacturers.

"Most of the old-time coin machine manufacturers must realize that the operator as such is responsible in the greatest degree for the success and present healthy status of most manufacturers.

Competitive Factor

"The intense competitive factor which now exists among operators in most localities in this country is perhaps the greatest single factor for increased production by the manufacturer. The much-sought-after location by the operator has placed the important location owner in a position of being able to demand the best equipment at all times. Take the juke box medium as a typical case.

"The location owner in this case operates a modern, up-to-date cocktail bar. He has in his place of business a juke box, placed there on a basis several years ago by the local juke box operator—who is presumably furnishing good all-around service.

"A competitive operator, recognizing this location as an important one, offers to supply the location owner with the very latest manufactured juke box and promises that all other conditions relating to service—commissions, number of record changes, etc.—will be comparable to his competitor.

New Equipment

"What usually happens in this instance? Most operators will agree that the location owner, who at this point, having been educated by the competitor as to the latest type of equipment, will demand from his operator that latest equipment be supplied. The threat is that the penalty for not doing so would mean the loss of this important location in favor of the competitor.

"Under such circumstances, the established operator, to protect himself, asserts his right to prove that he will produce the machine which the location owner demands.

"He then makes a hasty contact with the manufacturers' distributor to purchase the desired equipment.

Manufacturer Gains

"When he places this equipment with the location owner, it becomes necessary for him to find a secondary location for the replaced two-year-old machine, and it is most likely that he will seek out a competitor's C class location to replace his B class machine. Who gains mostly by this intensive competition among the operators? The manufacturer, of course.

"Now let's take a case in fact, where a concern which has specialized in the direct sale of juke boxes to locations, and I speak authoritatively since my company has been in this business for 10 years. In this case, the owner of a cocktail bar for many years has finally decided to purchase his own machine, perhaps at a price over and above what the operator would have to pay for the same machine from the manufacturer's distributor.

"It has been the policy of our concern to follow such cases carefully, and if a competitive operator might be a prospective purchaser of a new and more modern juke box within a period of several years.

"What do we find? An entirely different psychological reaction on the part of the location owner. Years after a location owner has made more attractive designs have been proposed—and a reasonable trade-in allowance has been suggested for his two or three-year-old machine—it is our experience that the owner sums it up in this manner:

No New Sale

"There is nothing wrong with his present juke box. The machine functions well mechanically—it has a good tone—it looks good in his place of business. He has received no complaints from his customers—it should last another two or three years. No new sale.

"This is what we call 'squeezing his first investment dry.' Under the old system he would have demanded from his operator a new piece of equipment every two years—now it is his investment.

"There isn't any question about it—the operators, through intense competition—have made the manufacturer. The competition, there is only a single factor. Nothing has been stated about the manufacturers' cost of sales. When we begin to make comparisons as to the cost of selling a single machine to the location owner who is more or less a one-time buyer purchasing something incidental to his business, as compared to the operator whose full-time endeavor is to operate various coin machines and who buys in quantity—one can observe the relative economics quite amply.

"Aside from the legal questions which may enter this problem from a policy standpoint, the manufacturer simply cannot carry water on two shoulders. If he develops a sales policy making it a simple matter for location owners to buy their own equipment, he is very definitely in conflict with the operator.

"It is easy to understand the reaction of an operator who has purchased many machines through a factory distributor upon finding, suddenly, that his most important locations have purchased their equipment from the same manufacturer thereby creating a competitive business for the operator who has been faithfully promoting this line. Such conflicts purposely developed by the manufacturer would be unthinkable."

GERMAN OPERATORS REBEL AT ADDITIONAL ROYALTIES

WEST BERLIN—Coin machine operators in West Berlin are girding for a last-ditch fight against efforts by GEMA, the German version of ASCAP, to assess additional royalty payments for installation of a second juke box loudspeaker.

German operators pay GEMA a flat monthly royalty fee per box in operation. Supposedly, this fee included all box accessories. But operators seeking to improve acoustics or to gain a stereo substitute effect by siting additional loudspeakers, bumped into the GEMA demand for boosted fee payments.

This latest GEMA move has aroused considerable resentment within the operator branch, the operators feeling that the artists are running a good thing into the ground.

Moreover, the "second loudspeaker" issue comes at a time when the operators are indignant over efforts of the musicians and recording technicians to horn into the royalty act with the demand for payment of a separate royalty fee to their organization for all recorded music played on juke boxes.

The West Berlin operators have offered GEMA a compromise in the loudspeaker dispute. The operators would pay GEMA a boosted fee only in cases where it can be clearly established that additional loudspeakers are being used to replace additional boxes primarily, and not to enhance tonal quality.

For example, this would apply to loudspeakers installed in additional rooms or floors of a juke box site.

HOW TO DO IT:
Buzzer System Solves Headaches of Shilling

BELLEVILLE, Ill. — Doing away with standard methods of shilling, including the distribution of marked coins to location owners and their employees—in favor of a buzzer system which requires no coins—has steadily hiked collections for Al McCutcheon, phonograph operator here.

McCutcheon's territory is the string of towns clustered along the east side of the Mississippi River, south of St. Louis for a distance of 50 miles or so. There are towns every few miles, in almost every direction, and one of the nation's largest conglomerations of towns—opposite Missouri, where taverns close early and do not operate on Sunday.

Like most operators, McCutcheon is well aware of the value of shilling every juke box installation to get things under way whenever there is a dull period. He formerly distributed rolls of nickels, dimes and quarters for the purpose, asking the location owner to make sure that they were used.

Extra Expense

This, of course, meant that McCutcheon had to visit all of his locations frequently, in order to insure a supply of coins between regular service stages and servicing operations. It also meant that his operators were forming a bad habit of depending upon McCutcheon for supplies of change which necessitated extra trips to the bank, some danger of hold-ups, and similar drawbacks.

The situation got so bad, particularly in view of the fact that distances involved from one end of the route to another, that McCutcheon decided something had to be done about it. That "something" was an electrical device of his own making which will do the same job for bartender, location owner or waitresses, as a group of coins, and which requires no attention from the operator.

What McCutcheon has done is to install a microswitch on the backs of wallboxes mounted along the bar in each of the taverns where his phonographs are installed. (The Illinois operator has found that wallboxes, placed right where they are, mean that customers can reach them without moving from his stool pay the greatest return for every tavern location.)

Now, with the microswitch wired into the credit accumulator on each phonograph, it is only necessary for the bartender to touch the microswitch and make a selection to bring the juke box into life. The switch authorizes only one play at a time, which is one way that McCutcheon has been able to prevent any abuse of the system.

No one has attempted to take advantage of this proviso in all the time that McCutcheon has been using the system, and the effects on play throughout the route have been outstanding.

Since it is absolutely no trouble at all for the waitresses or bartenders in any location to snap the switch and play their own favorite number, customers are always reminded of the convenience of the juke box and its musical fare. Dead spots in the daily collections have been almost entirely eliminated.

Answering Service Returns Big Dividends for Kansas Op

COLBY, Kan. — Subscribing to an answering service has been quickly located him at any distance has helped to hold stops, maintain location owners and keep coin machine earnings for Ermel Rogers, of Star-Lite Music Company, with headquarters in this Western Kansas community.

Rogers specialized in amusement machines, although he has a healthy percentage of phonographs scattered through small towns in Western Kansas. Because some of his stops are as much as 50 miles apart and because he handles most of the service load himself, Rogers has to be highly mobile and of every day, either on scheduled service calls or on repair jaunts.

To ease his burden, it is content that the telephone answering service to which he subscribed more than two years ago will locate him swiftly and report an emergency. Prior to enlisting this handy aid to everyday operations, Rogers often did not know of a phonograph in game installation at least for a day, and sometimes two or three days, during

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LONE STAR ROUND-UP

Bowling Alleys and Bumper Pool Are Bright Spots in Texas Outlook

By O. R. ALLEN

DALLAS — With the advent of a new year, a cross-section poll of distributors and operators in the fairly representative Dallas area shows no undue pessimism over the "recession." It might be said, though, that this optimistic outlook is stronger among the distributors than among the operators.

For instance, J. Fred Barber, director of sales for Valbox Distributing Company, said that his company has not noticed the recession, though he did point out that operators were "complaining to some extent."

"Sales," Barber said, "are better than in 1959 in music and games in general, with music being exceptionally good." Music, he estimated, was up by about 10 per cent over last year. Bumper pool also had a very good year, he added. Also up are baseball and space gun machines, with the arcade business itself showing an over-all increase.

A big boost to the arcade business in the Southwest has been the fact that the mushrooming bowling alley establishments have, in almost all cases, made provision for an arcade in their locations. A rough estimate of space allotted for these arcades is 20 by 30 feet, with the space including a 14-foot bowling machine, an eight-foot shuffle game and perhaps two pinball and two gun games.

He shared the enthusiasm of the bowling alley owners over these arcades, pointing out that their units in such widely scattered places throughout the State as Dallas, Houston and Odessa have shown that they draw the bowler as well as the non-bowler. In other words, where it might be that the husband is the only bowler in the household, he can still bring his family to the alley, knowing they can entertain themselves in the arcade.

Over at O'Connor Distributing Company, Dallas outlet for Seeburg, Don Bearden, credit manager, believes that collections are down slightly from last year. He estimated 2 per cent.

He pointed out that the increase of private clubs in the past two or three years has not done the coin machine industry any good. It appears, however, that a great number of these private clubs might not be in existence next year because of recent adverse court rulings.

Jim Browning of the J. M. Browning Coin Machine Exchange, a distributor for AMI for slightly less than a year now, believes that 1961 will be "a very good year for coin machine operators." He bases his optimism on the idea that money will be looser in the coming year. He pointed out that we have been going through a period of tight money but that it is the avowed policy of the new Administration to make money easier. This, he said, plus the upgrading of equipment in the industry will attract more customers.

Browning said that loans are quite prevalent in the cities and larger towns but that they are not so common in smaller communities.

As for the operators' opinion of these loans, he said that it was about the same as their opinions of collections; some report good returns, others not so good.

Browning finds that operators are buying less stereo than last year because good stereo records are simply not available. For some reason, manufacturers of the stereo records are just not turning out the records that are popular, at least not in sufficient quantity.

A look at business from a slightly different viewpoint, that of the operator, gives a somewhat gloomier picture.

N. D Vanderford, Dallas operator, estimates that collections are down 10 per cent over last year. Machines on location are also down, he says, attributing some of the slump to the Democratic voice in the cautious belief that things will pick up now that the election is over.

Vanderford, who handles music, shuffle alleys, bowlers, and pinballs, also believes that money will be less tight with the new national administration and that this will make for an upsurge in the coin business.

Unlike some operators as well as distributors, he takes a rather optimistic view of new entertainment in a city, such things as pro basketball and football teams. With the advent of two professional football teams in Dallas, Vanderford reports, for instance, that one of his locations near the Cotton Bowl (where both teams play) has tripled in business. Before pro football it was taking in about $20 per week. Now it is taking in about $60.

As for loans, Vanderford said, "I've got a lot of them, just like any other juke box operator." He added that these loans average about $600 per location.

"You have to put out loans to get locations in many cases," he said. "But on the other hand, there are some awfully good locations where loans are never mentioned."

He plays loans pretty much by ear, not being too free with them, but giving them if the location warrants and if it is the only way to secure a desired location. He said that he has been pretty fortunate in getting his money back in the past two years.

Vanderford said that out of 55 juke boxes he has three stereos and that they are not paying off. It is his opinion that the public simply is not ready for stereo, this plus the fact that desired records are not available. He said that some locations want the more classical music and that these are unavailable, while records for the stops which like progressive jazz are also not being turned out.

On the brighter side, he said that bumper pool has helped business more than anything else in most of his locations.

In spite of the above opinions, though, he is certain that music is here to stay.

Joe Thompson, another Dallas operator, estimates that collections are down by 15 per cent compared with last year. Machines on locations are also down, in his opinion. He doesn't take a very bright view of stereo either, stating, "It isn't catching on." Thompson is an operator with a strong partiality for folk music.

"When a location owner will let you put hillbilly music in his spot it will, in 99 out of 100 cases, play two to one better than the other types," he said, pointing out, owners just won't accept the hillbilly or cowboy brand, thinking that it low-rates their places. "And," he adds philosophically, "we do have to satisfy the man who owns the location."

Operating exclusively in Dallas, Thompson takes a cautious view of loans. He said that he averages turning down four or five locations a day because loans are demanded. In other words, he does not make a practice of giving loans. He admits that this hurts quite a bit in acquiring locations, but adds also that most of the loans he has given are not yet paid back and that of the loans out a great number of the location owners demand more of the same each week. He says that over the long haul the operator who does not give loans will fare better financially.

There is also a lot of location buying in this area, he pointed out, but he believes that this practice is declining.

He said that cigaret machine business is fair, then went into the local tax situation. For instance, there is a $60 per year State tax in Texas on all 10-cent games, with the city also getting $30, plus a $10 federal tax on all types. "This is simply too much," he says.

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German Coin Group Blasts Double Standard of Press

FRANKFURT West Germany's coin machine operator associations are mounting a campaign against the so-called "double standard" press which assails coin machines as a stimulus to juvenile delinquency.

Industry surveys have revealed that the majority of publications, both daily press and magazines, which attack coin machines also carry lurid advertising for sex and horror films.

There are even cases where the same publication would publish attacks against the coin machine industry on the one hand and with advertising for films exploiting sex.

A coin machine spokesman explained, "We do not challenge the right of the daily press to publish objective stories about our industry, even when these stories are unfavorable.

"But we are going to fight malicious and largely unfounded attacks by irresponsible segments of the press whose only interest is the creation of spurious sensations."

The coin industry is coming increasingly to the view that if the press attacks coin machines as a stimulus to juvenile delinquency, it is also obligated to attack equally and impartially films and books screening horror and sex films, even though the movie theaters may address heavily in the publications involved.

The spokesman summarized, "We say if we're going to crusade against juvenile delinquency, then let's crusade across the board, letting the chips fall where they may. We're ready to take our share of criticism and to put our house in order and keep it in order. But we also intend to demand that the movie houses and other enterprises contributing to juvenile delinquency be the same standards of criticism."

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Classified Ads Prove Effective for Boosting Holiday Juke Box Rentals

By ROBERT LATIMER

DENVER — Plain, ordinary classified newspaper advertisements, at an average of $1.21 per day, are far and away the most effective means of building phonograph rental profits during the holidays, according to a consensus of operators in Mountain States cities.

"The rental market has slipped quite a bit in recent years," one large Denver operator said. "About 10 years ago, we could count on renting anywhere from 25 to 35 machines, profitably enough so that we could take several of them off of low-traffic locations for the purpose. Now, we rent between 10 and 15 each Christmas season."

This operator feels that tape recorders and long-play phonographs have largely usurped what used to be the rental market, inasmuch as they give the same sort of uninterrupted, loud volume music which was the juke box's principle advantage. "People want an evening of stimulating music without having to pay any attention to the source, the operator said. "Now, someone in the party is almost always bound to have such equipment."

In using classified ads, half a dozen Denver operators depend upon such sprightly headlines as "Having a Holiday Party? — Rent a Phonograph and 100 Records!" or "Need Music for Your Holiday Dance?" followed by the firm name and address.

Average rentals are $25, a figure which that operator feels quite fair, inasmuch as high delivery costs, which usually include spotting the phonograph where it is to be used, consume a lot of that amount.

Rates vary, of course, according to the number of days on which the phonograph will be used. Normally, it is a one-day rental, involving either Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve which is involved.

Coin-Drop Problem

An Albuquerque operator thinks enough of the extra profit possible from Christmas rentals to spend the better part of a week in early November calling back on past customers to set up the contract for the following rental, and asking for leads to other prospects at the same time.

Making personal calls, pointing out that the group can choose exactly the sort of music it wants an that the phonograph can be set to play through 100 or 200 record, without attention, strikes a responsive chord, particularly with small organizations which have rented space for a holiday party or for office party.

Suggestion that the music can be deliberately programmed to add to the festivities and to taper off to soothing waltzes as the evening wears along, is a point which sells a lot of extra customers.

Little Vandalism

Vandalism seems to be a much smaller problem today than it was in the past, when phonographs were rented more or less indiscriminately. One Colorado Springs, Colo., operator solved this problem by constructing a knock-down cabinet which fit tightly around the phonograph like a shell. It prevented glasses and bottles from being set on the machine and did away with the possibility of cracked glass or scarred plastic surfaces.

It is always wise in making up a rental contract to stipulate that the machine will be returned in as good condition as when delivered, barring electrical break-down, of course.

In making a sales program out of the rental market, a Salt Lake City operator points out that most organizations of the type which are likely to stage group Christmas or New Year's Eve parties are represented with the city, having some type of charter or license, and that the name and address of the secretary can usually be obtained from the city clerk's office.

Personal Call

It takes a personal call, and a suggestion that the phonograph will make a much merrier evening than can be provided by anything short of a live orchestra, to get results.

Once a social group has rented one a phoonograph, and found this convenience to be actual, rooting another for the following year is that much easier.

J. H. Keeney Names Northwest Sales

CHICAGO — Northwest Sales with offices in Seattle, Wash., and Portland, Ore., has been named distributor for J. H. Keeney Company in Washington, Oregon, Alaska and Western Idaho.

Announcement came last week from Paul Huebsch, Keeney vice-president, who said heads the new Seattle office and Marshall McKee is in charge of the Oregon outlet.

Northwest also is distributor for Vidway and Wurlitzer.

CMC Pub. Relations Effort Bears Fruit

CHICAGO — "The pinball's place in America seems assured," according to an article in the respected and traditional New York Times—one of the results of a recent public relations effort begun by the Coin Machine Council.

The article, crediting CMC as its source, appeared in the "Topics" department of the Times' editorial page, and touched on the music, amusement and vending segments of the coin machine industry from 219 B.C. to the recent fitting out of a new French luxury liner with 225 juke boxes and 150 coin-operated games.

Going into almost pedantic detail the Times pointed out that "the non-functional pinball machine is the perfect symbol of the national repudiation of our vanishing puritanism, with its automatic effect on hard work and the concomitant guilt about enjoying ourselves."

Mailings

CMC, working with the Public Relations Board, Inc., public relation firm, headquartering in Chicago, has been conducting a program of mailings to the consumer press.

In December, every daily newspaper in the United States, 1,972 in all, was sent a copy of the CMC fact sheet, a 10-page document giving facts about the coin machine industry.

An article on vending was also prepared expressly for the New York Daily News, at the request of its financial editor.

Meanwhile, the council's membership committee, headed by Herbert B. Jones, Bally Manufacturing Company, Chicago, is preparing for a mailing to some 15,000 members of the coin machine industry outlining the public relations program of CMC.

Mass. Coinmen Set for Annual Dinner Feb. 21

BOSTON — Plans are going ahead for the annual banquet and dance of the Music Operators' Association of Massachusetts which will be held at the Commonwealth Country Club Tuesday, February 21. As an added incentive, the music group has planned door prizes on a scale to delight the heart of any operator.

Three juke boxes in excellent condition will be given away as door prizes at the affair. There also will be a fourth phonograph for which tickets will be sold. This will be a brand new Rock-Ola which will be offered for the benefit of the Boston Association for Retarded Children. All the money collected for the drawing will go to the cause and a representative of the group will be present to make the presentation to the lucky winner.

Plans are also being completed for a lavish type of entertainment, and already Ruby Newman, noted society orchestra leader and his ensemble, has been signed for the occasion.

Canteen Denies Bank Purchase

CHICAGO—Rumors that Automatic Canteen Company of America might acquire the Mercantile National Bank were vigorously denied by the bank here, last week.

Directors of Mercantile held a special meeting and voted unanimously to reject any offer and announced the bank will not for sale.

Rumors of the acquisition were first disclosed in a story in the Sun-Times by Edwin Darby, financial editor, who termed the negotiations the "latest surprise in Chicago banking," adding that "Canteen—if it is successful in its bid—will move the bank from the West Side to the Loop."

Denial

Denial came in a formal statement from Loy N. McIntosh, Mercantile board chairman; J. E. O'Shaughnessy, Mercantile president; and James T. Igoe, executive committee chairman of the bank.

Darby had pointed out that "Automatic Canteen, always on the lookout for ways of diversifying and strengthening its corporate structure, is already in this money field. This year it bought Continental Discount Corporation, a Chicago-based finance company."

Going into details of the proposed financial transaction between Canteen and Mercantile, Darby said that "Canteen would take over control of Mercantile through purchase of 125,000 shares of new Mercantile stock. The bank now has a similar number of shares outstanding and the stock is now selling at about $43 a share."

Although the Mercantile acquisition did not go through, it is a matter of record that Canteen has long been active in a diversification program—both domestic and abroad. It would therefore not be too much of a surprise in financial circles here if an acquisition in the banking field would be made by Canteen in the not-too-distant future.

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MUSIC

AMI

D-40 (40), 1651.....8 65
D-80 (80), 1651.....130
E-40 (40), 1655.....150
E-80 (80), 1655.....170
E-120 (120), 1658.....185
F-40 (40), 1654.....800
F-80 (80), 1654.....270
F-120 (120), 1654.....305
G-40 (40), 1661.....850
G-80 (80), 1658.....330
G-120 (120), 1655.....365
G-180-1 (120), 1959.....565
G-200 (200), 1956.....350
G-200-1 (200), 1956.....350
G-200-S (200), 1959.....350
G-200-4 (200), 1958.....850
G-200-5 (200), 1958.....350
H-200 (200), 1959.....525
H-120 (120), 1956.....475
H-100 (100), 1956.....440
H-500M (100), 1957.....445
I-300 (200), 1957.....680
I-500 (200), 1958.....850
I-120 (120), 1957.....575
I-100 (100), 1957.....520
I-500M (200), 1958.....555
I-500 (200), 1956.....750
I-120 (120), 1959.....700
I-100M (100), 1956.....590
I-200M (100), 1958.....555
I-120 (120), 1959.....655
I-100 (100), 1959.....560
I-200 (100), 1959.....760

ROCK-OLA

1426 (150), 1953.....8 65
1438 (150), 1954.....250
1442 (50), 1955.....225
1449 (100), 1955.....260
1448 (150), 1956.....370
1450 (120), 1957.....330
1452 (50), 1956.....275
1454 (120), 1957.....445
1455D (200), 1957.....480
1455S (200), 1957.....450
1456 (150), 1958.....540
1463 (100), 1958.....375
1465 (200), 1958.....570
1468 (120), 1959.....870
1468 Stereo (150), 1959.....730
1475 (200), 1959.....755
1475 Stereo (200), 1959.....800

SEEBURG

M100B (100), 1950.....3 25
M100C (100), 1952.....285
100W (100), 1953.....330
HF100G (100), 1955.....360
HF100R (100), 1954.....440
V200 (100), 1955.....390
100T (100), 1955.....510
E200 (200), 1957.....460
L100 (100), 1957.....540
201 (200), 1958.....555
161 (160), 1959.....760
161 (100), 1958.....640
220 (100), 1958.....655
200B (100), 1958.....625
200SR (100), 1958.....625
223 (180), 1959.....685
222DM (180), 1959.....850
222DHR (180), 1959.....850

WURLITZER

1250 (48), 1950.....5 95
1400 (48), 1951.....80
1500 (104), 1952.....8 80
1500A (104), 1953.....125
1800A (48), 1954.....185
1700 (104), 1954.....250
1600 (104), 1955.....450
2000 (104), 1956.....500
2100 (100), 1957.....465
2150 (100), 1957.....465
2200 (200), 1958.....175
2204 (104), 1958.....150
2300 (200), 1959.....945
2300-S (200), 1959.....945
2304 (104), 1959.....745
2304-S (104), 1959.....810
2310 (100), 1959.....790

BOWLERS & SHUFFLES

BALLY

ABC Bowler 7/55..8 810
ABC Bowler Lanes 12/59.....825
ABC Champion 6/57.....410
ABC Super-Deluxe 6/57.....410
ABC Tournament 6/57.....575
Bowler Deluxe 12/57.....525
All-Star Deluxe 2/58.....515
Bally Shuffle 1/58.....45
Bally Speed Bowler 1/58.....360
Blue Ribbon 4/55.....150
Challenger 5/55.....655
Club Bowler 2/56.....275
Congress Bowler 7/56.....275
Deluxe Club Bowler 8/56.....520
Gold Medal 4/55.....125
Jackpot Bowler 8/55.....
King-Pin Bowler 8/55.....525
Lucky Alley 8/56.....
Lucky Shuffle 8/56.....
Monarch 11/56.....450
Pan American 8/56.....525
Speed Bowler 11/58.....375
Star Shuffle 8/59.....545
Sub-Bowler 11/57.....250
Super Bowler 1/58.....
Trophy 4/58.....445

CHICAGO COIN

Big Ben Teen Bowler 11/55.....8 100
Blinker 8/56.....180
Bonus Score 6/54.....195
Bowl Master 7/56.....
Bowling Team 10/55.....140
Bull-Eye Bowler 7/55.....
Championship 11/56.....
Bowling League 7/57.....
Crisis Cross Target 1/55.....80
Double Feature 12/56.....965
Hollywood 4/55.....
King Bowler 3/59.....885
Lucky Strike 11/58.....
Miami Shuffle 10/58.....
Monte Carlo 1/58.....
Pin Chaser 8/58.....
Rebound Shuffle 11/58.....
Red Pin 2/59.....
Rocket Ball 2/56.....
Rocket Shuffle 7/58.....
Rocket Shuffle Two-Player 4/59.....
Score A Line 5/58.....
Shuffle Explorer 8/58.....
Skee Ball 1/57.....
Sno Rocket 5/58.....
Tournament Ball Bowl 12/58.....130
Triple Strike 12/58.....
TV Bowling League 11/57.....
Twin Bowler 10/56.....400

UNITED

Advance 8/58.....8 925
Atlas Shuffle Alley 6/58.....405
Bonus Bowling Alley 8/58.....510
Bowling Alley 11/58.....225
Build-Up 5/58.....200
Capitol Shuffle Alley 6/55.....175
Clipper 4/55.....150
Cyclone 10/58.....400
Deluxe Bowling Alley 7/57.....245
Deluxe Flash 6/58.....515
Deluxe Shooting Star 6/56.....120
Dual Shuffle 1/56.....440
Duplex 11/58.....800
Eagle Shuffle Alley 5/56.....285
Flash 8/58.....450
4-Way 11/58.....555
Handicap 6/58.....555
Handicap 11/58.....740
Hi-Score 6/57.....220
Jumbo Bowling Alley 6/57.....435
Jupiter Shuffle Alley 5/55.....185
League Alley 8/56.....725
Lightning Alley 5/55.....145
Midget Bowling Alley 6/59.....150
Niagara 11/58.....350
Pixie Bowler 7/58.....175
Playtime 8/58.....935
Regulation 11/55.....240
Royal Bowling Alley 12/57.....415
Select Play 3/56.....145
Shooting Star 8/58.....125
Shuffle Playmate 5/58.....80
Simplex 4/59.....555
Sta-Bar 11/57.....815
Super Bonus 6/55.....185
Team Bowling Alley 4/57.....245
Team-Mate 12/56.....750
3-Way 8/58.....500
Top Notch 11/58.....205
Venus 4/55.....455
Zenith 5/58.....455

PINBALLS

BALLY

Sailaway 8/59.....8 560
Beach Party 10/59.....930
Bally U.S.A. 7/58.....120
Beach Beauty 11/55.....155
Beach Time 8/59.....295
Big Show 8/58.....
Broadway 10/55.....
Carnival 10/57.....100
Carnival-Queen 11/58.....240
Casino 6/57.....
County Fair 11/58.....650
Crosswords 1/58.....
Cypress Gardens 5/58.....220
Double Header 5/58.....100
Fun-Way 8/58.....
Gay Paree 5/55.....
Gayety 4/55.....
Key West 12/59.....
Lets Fun 9/58.....
Miami Beach 8/55.....
Miss America 1/58.....
Night Club 8/59.....
Open House 8/59.....
Sea Island 8/58.....
Show-Time 4/57.....
Sun Valley 7/57.....

GOTTLIEB

Ace High 2/57.....5 80
Add-A-Line 7/55.....70
Annabelle 8/58.....
2 Around the World 7/59.....300
3 Aces 8/59.....280
Auto Race 8/59.....
2 Bits Box 4/58.....
Closer Bowler 7/56.....
4 Contest 10/58.....
2 Continental Cups 7/57.....
Criss Cross 3/58.....
Derby Day 5/56.....
2 Double Action 1/58.....
2 Duette 5/55.....
Easy Aces 12/55.....
2 Fab Lady 11/58.....
4 Falcons 11/57.....
2 Fing-Ship 1/57.....
Frontiersman 11/55.....
5 Gladiators 7/58.....
2 Gondolier 9/58.....
Gypsy Queen 2/55.....
Harbor Lites 2/58.....
19 Diver 4/58.....
4 Jubilee 5/55.....
Lightning Ball 12/58.....
4 Mademoiselle 11/56.....
4 Majestic 4/57.....
2 Marathon 4/55.....
2 Pitch 11/58.....
Queen of Diamonds 8/59.....
2 Race Time 6/58.....
Rainbow 12/58.....
4 Reflator 10/58.....
Rocket Ship 7/58.....
Roto Pool 7/58.....
Royal Flush 5/57.....
2 Sec Belles 9/58.....
Silver 12/57.....
Sittin' Pretty 11/58.....
Sioux'n' Champ 4/55.....
Southern Belle 6/58.....
Spanish Flush 12/57.....
Straight Shooter 2/56.....
Sunshine 4/56.....
4 Score-Board 4/58.....
2 Super Circus 9/57.....
2 Sweet Sixes 8/58.....
2 Tomahawk 6/58.....
2 Tournament 8/55.....
Twin Bill 1/55.....
Universe 10/58.....
2 Whirlwind 1/58.....
Wishing Well 8/58.....
World Champs 8/57.....

WILLIAMS

Arrow Head 7/57.....8 65
Casino 8/58.....
2 Circus Wagon 12/58.....
Club House 10/58.....
Crossword 5/58.....
Cue Ball 4/57.....
4 Fleet 12/58.....
4-Star 7/58.....
4 Fun House 10/58.....
4 Gay Paree 7/57.....
Golden Belle 6/58.....
Gusher 8/58.....
Hi-Hand 8/57.....
Hot Shoppe 8/58.....
Big Sew 12/57.....
Kings 8/57.....
4 Naples 8/57.....
Packy 11/58.....
Peter Pan 4/55.....
2 Piccadilly 5/58.....
2 Race-In-Check 4/55.....
Regatta 10/58.....
Reno 10/57.....
Rocket 11/58.....
Satellite 6/58.....
Sea Wolf 7/58.....
2 Shamrock 1/57.....
Smoke Signal 8/55.....
Soccer Kick-Off 12/58.....
Spot Pool 8/58.....
Starlite 6/57.....
Steeple Chase 11/57.....
Super Score 6/58.....
4 Surf Rider 7/58.....
3-D 11/56.....
Three Deuces 8/55.....
Tic-Tac-Toe 1/58.....
Tim-Bur-Tu 1/58.....
Top Hat 5/58.....
Turf Champ 8/58.....
Wonderland 5/55.....

ARCADE & NOVELTIES

All-Star Baseball (Wms) 4/54.....3 60
Aero Duck (Cons) 2/54.....
Auto Photo Model B.....885
Auto Photo Model 11.....1,645
Auto Test (with sound) (Cap) 8/58.....585
Auto Test (without sound) (Cap) 8/58.....240
Auto Test Turnpike Tournament (Cap) 8/58.....1,285
Bally Targets (Bally) 10/58.....525
Bumper Pool (Cap) 12/54.....65
Bang-O-Rama (Mute) 4/57.....
Bat-A-Score (Evans) 5/54.....
Better Up (CC) 4/58.....
Betting Practice (Bally) 8/59.....
Big Inning (Bally) 5/59.....
Big League (Wms) 9/54.....
Big Leagues (Wms) (CC) 8/55.....
Big Top (Gen) 11/54.....
Bike Race (Mnzv) 5/56.....
Bingo-O-Rama (Sel) 8/55.....
Bull's-Eye (Bally) 11/59.....
Burp Gun (Dale) 5/57.....
Carnival Gun (Ju) 8/54.....
Champion Baseball (Gem) 7/58.....
Chicago Bills Gallery (Genc) 3/57.....
Coca Hunt (Sesh) 8/54.....
Crane (Wms) 6/56.....
Criss Cross Hockey (Mute) 8/58.....
Crossfire (Wms) 3/57.....
Davy Crockett (Ex) 11/54 (28).....
Deco Gamblers (Deco) 6/54.....
Dakota Crossroads (Wms) 5/56.....
Deluxe 4-Bagger (Wms) 5/56.....
Deluxe Bowler (Keen) 6/56.....
Deluxe Skill Parade (Bally) 1/59.....
Deluxe Vanguard (Wms) 10/59.....
Derby Roll (Ju) 6/55.....
Deuces Wild (Keys) 10/58.....
Dodge City (Fram) 12/59.....
Driveamile (Mute) 8/54.....
5th Inning (Ju) 8/55.....
Golf Champ (Bally) 8/56.....
Grandstand Fortune 5/56.....
Gun Club (Genc) 7/56.....
Gunsmoke (Bally) 4/56.....
Heavy Hitter (Bally) 8/56.....
Hercules (Wms) 3/58.....
Hi-Fly (Genc) 4/58.....
Horoscope Fortune Teller (Genc) 5/57.....
Hydro Duck (B&W) 10/54.....
Jet Fighter (Wms) 10/54.....
Jet Pilot (CC) 5/58.....
Joker Ball (Mid) 10/58.....
Jolly Roger (Wms) 10/55.....
Jumbo Ten Pins (Wms) 3/58.....
Jumbo Ten Strike (Wms) 3/58.....
Jungle Gun (Ju) 7/54.....
Jungle Hunt (Exhib) 7/55.....
Jr. Auto Test (Cap) 12/58.....
Keys Hockey (Keys) 5/58.....
King of Swat (Wms) 9/55.....
Kiss-Chaser (Exhib) 12/56.....
Lounge Leader (Keen) 4/58.....
Major League (Wms) 4/54.....
Model 800 Shooting Gallery (Exhib) 5/58.....
Moon-Raider (Bally) 7/59.....
Musketeer (Genc) 10/57.....
Pan-O-Rama 600 (Cap) 15/58.....
Pennant Fever (Bally) 11/59.....
Pitch Hitter (Wms) 3/59.....
Playland Rifle Gallery (CC) 6/58.....
Point Hunt (Ju) 4/55.....
Quartermaster (Genc) 9/55.....
Ranger (Keen) 8/58.....
Red Ball (Mid) 5/58.....
Rifle Gallery (Genc) 8/58.....
Rock 'n' Roll (Mute) 5/56.....
Safari (Wms) 1/55.....
St. Christopher (Mute) 12/59.....
Satellite Tracker (B-L) 12/58.....
Scrambolt (Keen) 8/58.....
Shooting Gallery (Exhib) 5/54.....
Shrimp (Wms) 4/59.....
Sidewalk Engineer (Wms) 4/55.....
Sky Raider (Ju) 10/58.....
Sky Rocket (Genc) 5/55.....
Space Age (Genc) 9/59.....
Space Gunner (Bally) 5/58.....
Special Deluxe Baseball (Wms) 1/54.....
Speak Gun (Bally) 7/58.....
Sportland Shooting Gallery (Exhib) 11/54.....
Squeeze Water Pale (Aqua) 5/57.....
Sportsman (Keen) 11/58.....
Star Sleeper (Ju) 4/56.....
State Fair (Genc) 7/58.....
Steam Shovel (CC) 5/56.....
Super Bat Toy (Genc) 12/55.....
Super Home Run (CC) 8/54.....
Super Pennant Baseball (Wms) 1/54.....
Super Sleeper (Ju) 7/56.....
Super Star Baseball (Wms) 1/54.....
Swami (Mute) 4/55.....
Target Roll (Bally) 1/56.....
10 Commandments (Mute) 12/57.....
Ten Pins (Wms) 12/57.....
Ten Strike (Wms) 12/57.....
Test Pilot (Cap) 12/57.....
Thim (Wms) 6/59.....
3-D Eddie Theater (Bite) 3/54.....
3-D Pin (Cap) 3/54.....
3-D Theater (Bite) 2/54.....
Treasure Cove (Exhib) 7/55.....
Twin Hockey (CC) 5/56.....
Two-Player Baseball (Genc) 3/54.....
United Deluxe Baseball (Ju) 2/56.....
Video-O-Graph Vendor (Exhib) 5/54.....
Video-O-Graph (Mute) 2/57.....
Video-O-Graph (Mute) 11/54.....
Wild West (Genc) 8/55.....
Yankee Baseball (Ju) 8/56.....

Coin Machine Exports

September, 1960

Country	New Phonographs No.	New Phonographs Value	Used Phonographs No.	Used Phonographs Value	Amusement Games No.	Amusement Games Value	Totals No.	Totals Value
Belgium	387	$248,670	523	$181,480	316	$ 52,296	1,226	$ 482,346
United Kingdom	164	108,925	—	—	1,183	315,722	1,347	424,647
West Germany	395	266,964	52	20,370	101	42,874	548	330,208
Australia	25	17,468	15	6,000	239	57,138	279	80,606
Switzerland	79	56,799	6	4,706	47	9,700	132	71,205
Canada	51	33,165	—	—	162	28,211	213	61,376
Venezuela	43	34,704	8	6,360	35	9,755	86	50,819
Netherlands	3	1,125	20	6,200	236	38,609	259	45,934
Nan. Islands	49	31,561	14	5,642	35	5,520	98	42,723
Italy	120	23,711	—	—	—	—	120	23,711
France	—	—	—	—	72	21,942	72	21,942
Sweden	2	1,523	10	1,600	36	15,647	48	18,770
Norway	3	1,681	—	—	25	16,103	28	17,784
Phil. Rep.	3	3,100	19	10,194	—	—	21	13,294
Other Countries	52	37,308	52	15,545	239	50,371	344	103,324
Totals	1,376	$866,704	719	$258,097	2,726	$663,888	4,821	$1,788,689

September Exports Above '59 Level

NEW YORK—U. S. exports of phonographs and coin games ran well ahead of last year in the September period, racking up a total volume of $1,788,689 compared to $1,560,289 in the 1959 month. Figures are from the U. S. Department of Commerce.

Belgium led all markets in September, taking a volume of $483,346. The United Kingdom, on the strength of game imports, moved clo ely behind with a $424,647 run during the month

Only other market above the $100,000 mark was West Germany, which notched $330,208.

Filling out the top 10 markets during the month were Australia, Switzerland, Canada, Venezuela, the Netherlands, the Nan Islands (Pacific base), and Italy.

By comparison, a year pervious the following markets, in order, led the coin machine import trade:

Belgium, West Germany, Venezuela, Switzerland, Canada, United Kingdom, Sweden, Italy, the Netherlands, and Cuba.

Belgium, the over-all leader this September, also led in the category of used juke box imports with a figure of $181,480, and placed second in new juke boxes.

West Germany took honors in the new juke box field, importing $266,964 worth of new U. S. phonographs.

The big markets for games, in order, were: United Kingdom ($315,722), Australia ($57,138), Bel·ium ($52,296) and West Germany ($42,874).

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THIEF PREFERS MUSIC TO CASH

SAN ANTONIO — Police were looking for a thief who prefers music over money. Tha thief broke into the juke box at the L.M.D. Laundromat and stola 38 records. No attempt was made to break into the money box, according to police who investigated tha robbery.

Portland Tables Move to Set Up Game Authority

PORTLAND, Ore.—An amendment to the city amusement license code has been stalled temporarily. The new rule would establish a committee to pass on the legality of games and approve or disapprove license applications.

Several coin machine firms retained Francis E. Harrington, attorney, to represent them. They are Dunis Amusement Company, N. W Sales Company, Popular Amusement Company, Melody Amusement Company and the Stan Terry Amusement Company.

According to Harrington, the proposed legislation "would grant to this committee the authority to legislate in the criminal field."

He added that the phrase referring to a device "likely to be used for gambling" could be construed to mean almost anything.

One commissioner asked Harrington if he thought such an ordinance could prohibit football games on TV since they contributed to the establishment of football pools.

"As a father of eight children," Harrington replied, "I'm not qualified to answer that—I'm prejudiced gainst television."

The basic problem of operators, explained Harrington, is that patrons tira of games rapidly and play falls off. The industry must introduce new games frequently.

The proposed amendment, he added, would give the committee blanket authority to outlaw new machines, even though such machines had not been classified as gambling devices by the courts.

Action on the amendment has been postponed for two weeks.

Harry Brown, Club Equipment, Dies in Chicago

CHICAGO—Harry H. Brown, long-time coin machine veteran and owner of Club Equipment Corporation, operators and jobbers, died here last Monday (26). Brown was 58 years old.

His wife, Freda, will continue to operate the firm. Brown has been in various phases of the coin machine business for some 35 years. He was taken to Weiss Memorial Hospital, Saturday (24) after suffering a heart attack. The second, and fatal attack, came Monday morning.

Funeral services and burial were in Philadelphia, Brown's original home, last week.

The Chicago operator was active in numerous civic and philanthropic organizations, including B'nai B'rith and The Loyal Order of Moose. Besides his wife, he is survived by his son, Stanley, and two grandchildren, Bennett and Leslie.

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Herbert Beitel Resigns Post as NAMA Counsel

CHICAGO—Herbert M. Beitel, well-known legislative counsel of the National Automatic Merchandising Association, is resigning his post.

The surprise announcement came last week from Thomas B. Hungerford, executive director of the association, who said that "Beitel is planning to join a private business enterprise on the East Coast in which he owns an interest."

A successor to Beitel is expected to be named within the next few weeks. Hungerford said that all present staff assignments in NAMA's legislative department will continue.

Beitel has been with the NAMA staff for the past five years. He's been particularly active in fighting discriminatory vending legislation on both the State and national levels. A frequent traveler, Beitel was a familiar figure at various local and State association meetings throughout the country.

Parting Beitel's work with NAMA during the past years, Hungerford said, "He's done an outstanding job for the vending industry and will be sorely missed not only by our staff and myself but by many hundreds of members throughout the country whose interests he has served so capably and effectively."

Hungerford said that Beitel is assisting in the search for a qualified successor and that Beitel will be instrumental in acquainting him with NAMA's legislative problems and activities

Reluctant

In explaining his decision to leave, Beitel said that his new activity may ultimately have important applications in the vending industry. He declined to go into further detail.

"I have reached the decision to leave very reluctantly," he said. "It is my hope to be able to serve the vending industry in many ways in my new position. To the extent

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Detroit Op Gives Formula

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finds new business places or places where management can be kept happy, sometimes he calls "cold" on a location.

He likes to fill in his route carters, with locations close together. As he goes down a business street where he has a stop, he looks in the proprietor's store and makes nearby to see if they have machines. If he does not see a machine, he then goes in and makes a solicitation (thus avoiding the appearance of acting as "beaten out" a competing operator who has the spot).

"When you first go in, put in the best machine you have—one that is clean, that appeals to the eye, and will not crinkle the merchandise (such as pistachios). When you go back for your first service call, make a special check of everything. Make sure you have the proper amount of money for the merchandise. Make sure the machine is in good shape, and the proprietor has not allowed anyone to mess with it. Often you run into a proprietor who tries to get something out of the machine for nothing.

"When trouble like this is encountered, I don't just pull out the machine. but replace it by another."

Machine Switches

It may be best to replace by another make—Gordon makes up to five or six such replacements in a year before giving up. He says, "As long as you are breaking even and doing a little better all the time, finally get down to the make that will go there without any trouble—then you can start making money."

Trouble arises when someone at the location finds out how to slug or rifle the machine. Or the location owner may be lax and kids will damage it—but replacement with a different type of machine may solve the problem and keep it worth-while location.

A Northwestern gum vendor is a typical example—two weeks after placement, he found it broken, with a nail file inside. He replaced it with a Columbus unit, and it operates very well—but the reverse experience could also happen, with a Northwestern replacing a Columbus, according to the location, Gordon notes. He accounts for this instance as resulting from the Northwestern's not taking a washer, while the Columbus machine will. The location owner catches patrons with the washers and puts a stop to it while the first machine just invited vandalism from some patron by refusing the washers.

Coin Mechanisms

Another problem related to this was posed by the older Northwestern vendors, no longer manufactured but still on many routes. Patrons tended to put matches or toothpicks in the coin chute. This would jam the machine, and if they tried to force it, the gears would be broken. His answer is to replace it with a simpler type of mechanism, like the Columbus. This problem has been eliminated by newer types of machines.

"Certain merchandise that will go well in one location will not move at all in another," Gordon says. "The only way to find out is by experience. When one thing doesn't go, try another."

The whim of the patrons is the only answer, he suggests. Spanish peanuts may go well in one place, and languish just across the street. His typical formula, if pistachios do not sell, is to try cashews. If they don't sell, he tries Spanish peanuts and finally, blanched peanuts.

Nut Mixtures

Mixing nuts is another technique he finds sometimes useful when a difficult location is encountered. He uses about 70 per cent Spanish peanuts, 20 per cent, blanched, and 10 per cent cashews—just enough to show. This mixture will cost about 50 cents a pound wholesale, and bring in 80-85 cents gross—enough to justify operation on a three-machine spot—probably with pistachios and gum in the other two units.

The Spanish nuts are the backbone of Gordon's business — the best seller, with the best margin of profit. A machine will hold about six pounds of nuts costing 30 cents a pound, and take in $3.50 to $4 depending on the size of the nuts. Gordon figures that Spanish peanuts give a net after expenses of about 30 per cent, with commissions ranging 10 to 20 per cent—dependent upon the profitability of the location.

Basic Service

Regularity of basic service plus flexibility for special calls will meet general operating problems, Gordon believes. He regularly services all his machines at twoto-four-week intervals, but can collect as every 10 days. The type of merchandise, turnover and location in the store determine frequency. If the machine is in a place where the customer will remind, he, the rate must be stepped up accordingly.

Special service calls must be answered promptly—not later than the next day. Gordon arranges his work so that he will use the occasion of a special service trip to perform his routine service in the same part of the city, unless he has just been over that section. This conserves mileage and time.

"Sometimes the proprietor takes care of everyone else but you," a problem only occasionally met these days. Gordon diagnosis, "Usually the owner wants to take care of you, and get you out of there. But sometimes one will want to take care of everyone else first and then want to ask all kinds of questions. But the operator's time is money.

"The way to handle this situation is to have the money count all ready and put his share of the money right on the counter by the till. Then he can't refuse it, or find an excuse for delay—and you can be on your way."

Quick Exit

Gordon says that when the location owner continues visiting with a customer, the solution is to cut in politely, with "Pardon the interruption, Mr. — Here is your money. Do you need any more pennies?" Then he moves on—and it works, if done tactfully. This is where personal understanding of people pays off.

Finally there is the case of the location where the machines are turned around to the wall when the nightly clean-up is made. The operator discovers this when he comes to make his regular call. This is the time to call the location owner's attention to the fact or he may never notice it—and both operator and location will be out of revenue. It is a little point easily overlooked, and needs to be called to attention.

A variety of problems — from operational difficulties to the ridicules of good salesmanship and management — but Gordon's 34 years of sound operating experience have provided some locations tested answers that can be shared with and pondered by the industry.

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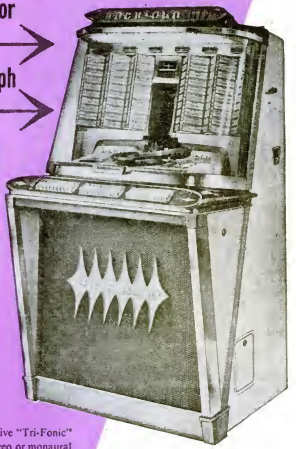

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HORATIO ALGER STORY

Years of Hard Work Pay Off for Pete Gurley, Little Rock Operator

By ELTON WHISENHUNT

LITTLE ROCK. — This is the success story of a young man who came off a farm at the age of 15, went to work in the coin machine business with nothing but the clothes on his back and today is a prosperous and successful route owner at 35.

He is Pete Gurley, happily married and the father of four children, and owner of Ace Music Company with 41 good locations to which he gives first class service and gets good return for his work and investment.

But it was not as easy to do as it is to say that it has been done. It took hard work, sometimes 16 to 18 hours a day, to get off the ground. And it took bitter disappointment in learning about human nature.

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The Promise

His new employer also told him if he turned out well and made the owner some money, in 10 years he, the owner, would give Pete a half interest in the business.

Pete worked hard for 10 years. He built the route up. He kept it in good shape. He had the money rolling in. The boss had a lucrative business and could afford trips to Miami, Texas, California, about any place he wanted to go. And he went with periodic frequency because Pete was honest, capable and the route was in good hands.

Pete looked forward to the end of the 10 years. When they were up, he could enjoy some of the profits. He had worked hard for them and, with profit-sharing, he could get a good rest and enjoy an occasional vacation trip himself.

Quit Job

But when the 10 years were up the owner asked him to "give me a little more time." Pete did. Pete gave him a year. Still the owner would not keep his promise. So Pete resigned.

Pete had worked himself into a good wage at the time he resigned. He was making $200 a week. That was one of the arguments the owner used in refusing his former promise.

"You're making more than any route manager in town," the owner had said.

Not Enough Cash

But Pete decided to try it on his own. He had $6,000 saved up. He went to a distributor and told him ba wanted to begin a route. The distributor discouraged him, would not carry Pete's notes while he got started and told him it would "take you $50,000 to get started in this business."

PETE GURLEY

But what happened next was that Pete learned there is a good sida to human nature. He found it in Geoge Sammons, president of Sammons - Pennington Company, Memphis, leading distributor in the Mid-South.

"You can bava anything you want," Sammons told Pete. "We'll carry you till you can make the note payments."

So Peta was in business. He started out small, made it pay and each year added a few pieces of equipment to his route. His profits increased each year, so he re-invested soma in more machines.

Today ba has machines at 41 locations and is still acquiring a new location here and there from tima to tima and is ona of the most successful "rags to riches" stories in Arkansas.

"I couldn't have done it without George Sammons," said Peta. But Sammons is a modest fellow and attributes Pete's success to his hard work and sound operating principles.

Herbert Beitel

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members of NAMA who have contributed so freely of their time and energy in order to assure the success of our legislative activities, I owe a real debt of gratitude. It is difficult to express the pleasure and satisfaction which have come to me from working with the members and staff of tha association in these past years."

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Malta Has a Juke Box Boom

VALETTA, Malta—Juke boxes nearly doubled on Malta in 1960, jumping from 265 to nearly 500, giving Malta its biggest box boom ever. John Pirotta, director of the Malta Juke Box Company, reports that he is not only expanding the importation of juke boxes but is also entering the coin game field, concentrating on bowling alleys. A number of new companies are being formed on the island to operate coin machines. The Maltese are exporting most of their new machines from West Germany. Particular effort is being made to develop coin machine locations in Valetta harbor, which is visited by a procession of ships from all over the world. This Mediterranean maritime traffic is rated by the experts here as a potential coin machine gold mine. The majority of new operating firms are concentrating on the waterfront area, siting juke boxes, games and venders in the same location.

Coinmen Honor Nadolny

TRIER, West Germany—Kurt Nadolny is observing his 30th anniversary as a coin machine operator. Nadolny is the dean of operators in the Rhineland-Palatinate, and he is being honored this month with a series of testimonial dinners and parties marking his anniversary. The veteran operator is looked up to in this frontier area, where the borders of France, Luxembourg and West Germany meet, as a "coin machine statesman." Nadolny has been a prime mover in the campaign to promote co-operation among the coin machine operators of the various European lands. The Trier operator's specialty is the promotion of friendship among operators in this border area through operator-to-operator contacts.

Danish Juke Box Imports Up

COPENHAGEN—There has been substantial increase in West German coin machine exports to Denmark in 1960, with juke boxes pacing the field. The trade here estimates German juke box deliveries have jumped 17 per cent over 1959. German juke boxes are now in virtually every city, town and hamlet in this country with juke boxes. There has also been a corresponding gain in American boxes, proving, as the trade is joking, that U. S. and German boxes can "co-exist." The "U. S. versus Germany" line-up in the juke box sales competition consists of Hans Zürrsen (Symphonic and Fanfare), Knud Petersen (Tonomat), Dansk Grammofon Automats A S (IMA-AMI), Jorgensen Brothers (Wurlitzer), Nordisk Automat (Rock-Ola and Seeburg), and Sleistye (AMI). The Hans Zürrsen Company, one of the biggest in Scandinavia, is a heavy importer from West Germany. Zürrsen operates a plant producing juke boxes and arcade games. Jorgensen, distributor of Steinway pianos and Hammond organs, is expanding into Sweden and Norway, opening branches in Malmo and Oslo.

Russo-German Trade

BONN—The export of West German coin machines to Russia will be placed under substantial difficulty with expiration of the Russo-German trade pact. The agreement expired at the end of the year. Bonn and Moscow negotiated for a new pact but were unable to reach agreement. The negotiations foundered on the Bonn government's insistence that a new pact include West Berlin. This clause in effect would establish the legality of West German jurisdiction over West Berlin, which the Soviets claim is a "free and independent" city. West German coin machine menufacturers had hoped to use a new Bonn-Moscow trade pact as a channel for steadily increasing German coin machine exports to the Soviet Union. Despite indications Russia intends building coin machines, the Germans hoped to gain a Russian market for at least five years or more, this being the length of time experts here calculated it will take the Soviets to develop their own production. Moreover, there have been indications the Soviets would prefer to import certain types of coin machines, primarily juke boxes and possibly coin games, from West Germany and concentrate domestic efforts on vending machines, which is the chief Soviet coin machine interest.

Ball-Point Pen Vender Termed Gaming Device

CALGARY, Alta.—A precedent-setting decision was brought down in city police court Friday (9) when Joseph Roberts, a Calgary coffee shop proprietor, was convicted of operating a gaming house because he had allowed patrons to operate a ball-point pen vending machine on his premises.

Roberts was fined $25 and costs. His lawyer indicated the decision might be appealed.

The machine offered pens valued at either 10 cents, 50 cents or $1 for a deposit of a dime. A cylinder in the machine rotated each time a dime was inserted and there was no way a customer could tell the value of the pen he would receive.

Value Unknown

Three pens taken from the machine were entered as court exhibits. Each was slightly different, and two were stamped with either "Retail Value 50 Cents" or "Retail Value $1."

Defense lawyer MacDonald Millard argued there was no evidence that the pens were actually of the value indicated and a customer was taking no chance.

"After all, he inserts a dime and he gets a pen. There was no chance involved. He is after a pen and he gets one."

The sign on the machine stating the pens were of different values was termed "puffery."

"A merchant can puff his own goods all he wants to," Millard said. "All the department stores do it."

Magistrate R. V. Rea held, however, the sign was an invitation to gamble. "A person puts a dime in the machine in hopes of getting a 50-cent or a dollar pen," he said.

Stout Blasts Record Firms on Failure to Supply Stereo Disks

CHICAGO — Gordon Stout, peppery and often outspoken veteran of the *coin machine* business, and a director of Music Operators of America, has taken a blast at the record industry for its failure to supply juke box operators with enough stereo singles.

Stout, who operates in Pierre, S. D., charged that "either in the production or in the distribution end of the record business, or both, we (operators) have been let down. We can't get the new stereo sound recordings we want, when we want them."

The coin machine veteran, active in numerous local associations as well as MOA, issued his blast in an open letter to the industry, mailed to The Billboard last week.

33 Singles

He also questioned whether the new 33-speed single would solve any problems, and if the "very liability of new records, in this new speed, would be any better."

Stout pointed out that last year, when the 33-speed singles were introduced to the trade on a broad scale, "one juke box manufacturer came out at once with equipment to play the new speed and this year, other firms have followed suit."

"The question is," he adds, "will the availability of the new records (33-single) be any better in this new speed or will it become even more complicated for distributors, dealers, and operators to anticipate the customers' demands?"

Modest Success

Going into his firm's background, Stout said "We know very little about how music is created, popularized and re-created on records for mechanical reproduction on phonographs." But, he pointed out, "we do know something about the juke box business, having enjoyed a modest success over a period of some 20 years."

Interviewed further by The Billboard, Stout said this about stereo singles: "We can't get any at all. We can get some EP's, but you ruin your selectivity that way." "The juke box business is built on the selectivity principle," he said. "The customer has got to be able to pick a tune for his money—not just get a package that might have something he wants and some things he doesn't."

Stout said his firm has been buying records directly from distributors but lately has been experimenting with one-stops in Minneapolis and Denver.

Distributors

Commenting on distributors, he said his firm often will order so many of a stereo tune, only to be told by the distributor that "we don't have that many."

Stout says he doesn't like to back-order a popular tune because by the time the records are delivered, it's almost too late from the juke box standpoint.

He says he gets "all the monaural he wants, and the only salvation is that even monaural sounds better on dual amplification." The Pierre coin machine veteran said his firm has been buying only stereo machines for the past 2½ years and that currently about 60 to 75 per cent of his route is made up of stereo equipment.

One thing Stout did praise was the new reverberation principle used on a current juke box model and several home phonograph models, saying it would "greatly improve the sound of any recording —stereo or monaural."

East Pa. Operators Plan for 1961

NORRISTOWN, Pa. — The Eastern Pennsylvania Amusement Machine Association is going to have a very busy year in 1961 if Sid DeAngelis has anything to do with it.

And he should. He is the new manager of the association that covers this territory. Actually, he was the first manager when the group was formed five years ago, but left after his first year to become an assistant district attorney.

DeAngelis has invited all the members of the association to drop into his office to discuss the group's plans. "One thing," he said, "I think the operators should have a closer relationship with the distributors. I'll see what I can do about this."

Distributors are honorary members of the EPAMA.

At its December dinner-meeting Wednesday (14), the Eastern Pennsylvania group formally merged with the Lehigh Valley Amusement Machine Operators Association. Plans were worked out previously, but the actually uniting was done at this meeting.

Archie Federman, who was the president of the Lehigh Valley group, was named to the EPAMA board of directors to raise the number to four.

The association will continue to meet on the third Wednesday of the month at the General DeKalb Inn, here.

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Game Makers

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new pool game models appeared. Bu here again, the figures fall to tell the story. Most operators are doing very well with pool tables on location and are buying many models in stock and in production from manufacturers.

It was a poor year for baseball games in terms of numbers bowed. Just two appeared, while four models—a traditional figure—were introduced in most other years, always in the springtime.

From the figures above, it might be deducted that the drop off in 1960, within each general category, was slight if there was any drop at all.

But there is an almost hidden factor that accounts — in terms of totals—for the cutback from 1959 and other years. This is the almost utter lack of novelty machines—a group that accounted for up to and over 25 per cent of total new model introductions in most other years. There were half a dozen in 1960.

The dearth in the novelty crop ties in with the manufacturers' failur' to come up with a hot new location game. For it is usually from this novelty group that the hot new games of other years came. From a pure percentage point of view, the mora "experiments" conducted by producers in the form of novelty attractions. the bigger the chance of coming up with a strong new game.

With 1960 showing 77 new models, other years stack up as follows: introductions hit 113 in 1954, ran to 130 in 1955, rose to 133 in 1956, 93 in 1957, 94 in 1957 and 93 in 1959. Big portions of the 1955 and 1956 crops consisted of pool game models, but the big 1954 output was notched without the help of the low-cost, easy-to-make pool games.

Answering Service

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which time tha location owner was likely to get a bit hot under the collar.

Now, before starting out on the day's chores, which may involve 20 miles of driving, Rogers checks with his answering service located in Colby, gives the operator a rough itinerary for the day and departs, knowing that he will usually get one or two calls during the day.

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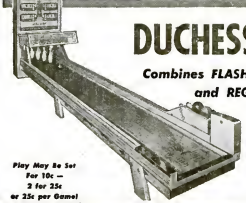

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